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LEADERS QUARREL OVER NEW HOUSING NUMBER

ARGUMENTS over how Basingstoke could find land to build an extra 1,800 homes has triggered a rift between town leaders.

By **Mathew Di Salvo**
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Councillors warned of the south of England sinking into the sea and likened the government's planning inspector to a dictator during a fiery meeting on Thursday.

But others granted the figure a rational starting point to try and help solve the country's housing crisis.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council was scolded by government planning inspector Mike Fox last month for not including enough houses in its local plan for 2011 to 2019.

The plan sets out proposals to build 13,464 homes.

But councillors at a meeting on Thursday were discussing whether to adopt a new house-building figure for Basingstoke of 850 homes per year – rather than 748 – as Mr Fox requested.

It would mean another 1,836 houses would have to be built.

Councillor Ian Tilbury, of Overton, said that increasing the number of homes would "destroy" the borough – especially villages surrounding the town.

He said: "It just cannot go on like this.

"The south of England is going to sink into the sea at this rate, the county's going to tip up – we're all going to have to go in Scotland with Alex Salmond which isn't a good prospect for anyone is it?"

He added: "Where are we going to find land for 1,800 houses?

"Where are we going to stick them? Well it's pretty obvious – they're going to go all over the countryside aren't they? And that's not in anyone's interest."

But councillor Gary Watts said: "The number seems like a reasonable benchmark, I am quite willing to support it."

And councillor Robert Tate recommended the council "go ahead with the figure."

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Brave schoolgirl inspires fundraiser

ENDURING more than 1,000 painful injections and 1,200 blood tests in one year is a lot for any 11-year-old to handle.

But Megan Brooker has stomached them all since being diagnosed with type one diabetes last year.

And almost a year to the date she was diagnosed the Hatch Warren schoolgirl will be stepping up to the start line of a onesie fun run.

Her ordeal sparked mum Helen Brooker into organising a Type Onesie Mile at Down Grange athletics track on Saturday, February 28.

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Council tax freeze - but rises loom

COUNCIL tax in Basingstoke and Deane is to be frozen for a fourth year – but the next two years it may have to rise to balance the books.

A report on finances for April 2015 to March 2016, published on Monday, set out Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's budget for the next financial year and forecasts budgets for the following three years.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's Conservative cabinet member for finance, John Izett, said: "Despite losing almost a million in government grants we are putting forward a balanced budget with no debt.

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"I'm very pleased for the fourth year in succession we are recommending no increase in council tax for Basingstoke and Deane."

He added: "We are one of the most financially secure councils in England."

The forecast shows a balanced budget for 2015 to 2016 but deficits for the next three years that will need further savings – and may mean council tax rises.

It earmarks £39.1million to be spent on projects from April 2015 to 2019 as part of its capital investment programme - of which £5.7m was newly announced.

The council is getting £2.2million from the government – a £964,000 reduction.

Savings include a £36,000 decrease in the Mayor of Basingstoke's budget – of which £25,000 is because the mayor's chauffeur is being used less than was budgeted for.

Another £34,200 of savings will come from combining borough and general elections in May.

Among the new expenses is an extra £1.6m to improve road junctions around Basingstoke.

Another £100,000 will go towards improving Basingstoke town centre - £40,000 in grants for traders to improve shop fronts and £50,000 in start-up grants for small businesses.

But Labour opposition councillor Paul Harvey said: "They are very good at creating pots of money, and doing nothing with it.

"It doesn't address peoples' issues - with bus routes, affordable housing - it is window dressing."

The budget is to be discussed by the council's cabinet on Tuesday and either approved or rejected by full council on February 26.

Mum and daughter host charity fun run

IN her 11 years Megan Brooker has had to tackle more than most.

But after thousands of injections and tests the Hatch Warren schoolgirl has come through smiling.

Megan was diagnosed with type one diabetes in February last year.

And a year on from her diagnosis she is helping host a fun run called Type Onesie Mile with Mum Helen Brooker aiming to raise £500 for Diabetes UK.

Mrs Brooker, 41, who runs for Hatch Warren Runners, said: "It was a bolt out of the blue, as it is with most families.

"But five days after her diagnosis I was due to run the Reading half marathon, despite only getting 15 hours sleep in five days that week.

"Megan insisted I ran it, and did it for her. I followed a runner for the last three miles who was running for Diabetes UK, which heightened the emotion at the finish."

Megan and eight-year-old brother Owen both got animal-themed onesies for Christmas for the Type Onesie Mile at Down Grange athletics track on Saturday, February 28.

The fun run, from 2pm until 4pm, includes races for various age groups and a bake sale.

Entry is free and taking part in races costs £2.50.

Mrs Brooker added: "Megan is doing really well.

"It is quite difficult to live with - the injections really get her down because they are quite painful, and she doesn't like missing out on things like swimming or running when her blood sugar level is not right, but she has taken to it very well.

"There is no cure so there is no end to this, unless the clever researchers work out how to make it easier to manage.

"Hopefully one day, in Megan's lifetime, there will be a cure."

And on April 26 Mrs Brooker will be running the London Marathon to fundraise for Diabetes UK.

She has already raised £1,400 and is aiming to reach £3,000.

Lewis Honeywill, Diabetes UK South East fundraiser, said "We are very grateful to Helen for choosing our charity for her fundraising efforts and we would encourage as many people as possible to sign up to the fun run and raise much needed funds for Diabetes UK.

• Helen Brooker and 11-year-old daughter Megan

"Diabetes is one of the biggest health challenges facing the UK today and the money raised will help improve the care and support available for people affected by the condition."

News Bites

Teen train death

BASINGSTOKE: A teenager from Basingstoke died after being hit by a train at a Reading station last week.

The 19-year-old man's death is not being treated as suspicious by police.

A spokesman for British Transport Police said: "We were called to Reading West station at 7.40pm on Thursday, January 15, to reports of a person being struck by a train.

"Colleagues from Thames Valley Police and South Central Ambulance Service also attended and a 19-year-old man from Basingstoke was pronounced dead at the scene."

Botched robbery

BASINGSTOKE: A masked gang trying to rob a shop in Brighton Hill were fought off by staff on Monday.

The four men attacked staff to try and force their way into One Stop in Stanford Road at about 5.45am.

But they failed and fled, leaving two members of staff with minor injuries.

The gang were wearing dark clothing and had their faces covered. One of the men was described as very large.

Anyone with information is asked to call police on 101 quoting 44150019793.

Nurse awards

HAMPSHIRE: Patients and relatives can nominate nurses, midwives and therapy staff who have gone above and beyond their call of duty for a special award.

The 10th annual Director of Nursing Awards will be held on July 13, at The Elvetham Hotel in Hartley Witney.

Nominations are open for staff at Basingstoke and North Hampshire NHS Foundation Trust, Royal Hampshire County Hospital in Winchester and Andover War Memorial Hospital, Alton and Bordon community hospitals and staff who visit patients in their own home.

There are categories for team and individual awards, open until the end of April.

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Cop wins police 'Oscar' after crash sparks action

• (Left to right) Sergeant Rob Heard with Chief Constable Andy Marsh last week

ALMOST four years ago 28-year-old Neil Colquhoun was killed when an 89-year-old driver crashed into him on the wrong side of the road in Old Basing.

The elderly man was blind in one eye and had been driving down the wrong lane of the A30 for over a mile.

It was this crash that sparked Hampshire Constabulary officer Rob Heard to create the Older Drivers' Forum in 2013.

Its success and the Sergeant's 22-year career in the roads policing unit won him the ACPO and Police Federation Outstanding Contribution to Roads Policing Award 2014.

The 48-year-old said: "It feels a bit like winning an Oscar in the roads policing world.

"I would like to dedicate this award to Neil Colquhoun and his mother Patricia, who were the inspiration behind the creation of the forum."

He added: "Our investigation found that the 89-year-old man was blind in one eye and below the legal eyesight limit in the other. However, he felt he was genuinely fit to drive.

"From that, we came up with the idea of the forum, and we hope by doing so we can prevent another tragedy like this. We are not about taking people off the road – we are about trying to help people keep their independence and carry on driving safely, for longer."

By **Katriona Ormiston**
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He was awarded a trophy and certificate on Thursday by Chief Constable Andy Marsh.

There are over four million people aged 70 and above driving on the UK's roads, and the oldest person to hold a driving licence is a man aged 106.

The website of advice and support for older drivers has had more than 20,000 hits in 18 months.

After a crash it can also run checks to see if a person is safe or not to carry on driving, or signpost refresher training.

Sergeant Heard – now based at Kings Worthy - is also now a national lead on the problems of older drivers helping the Department for Transport and Road Safety Foundation create a national strategy.

Chief Constable Marsh said: "I am very proud of the work Rob has done in helping to keep older drivers stay on the road, safely.

"At some stage, we ourselves will be older drivers, and most of us know older drivers now.

"This forum and its website are a fantastic resource to help inform and reassure."

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Car flips on roof

WHITCHURCH: A teenager is in hospital with severe head injuries after his car hit a wall and flipped onto its roof near Whitchurch on Sunday.

The 17-year-old was left in a serious condition at Southampton General Hospital.

His silver Ford Focus left the B3400 and landed upside down at Freefolk near Priory Lane at about 9pm.

Hampshire Constabulary is appealing for anyone with information to call 101 quoting Operation Venue.

Youth cuts plan

BASINGSTOKE: An action plan on how to save youth services in Basingstoke is to be discussed tonight.

Councillors at Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council's are to debate the future of the youth service amid cuts of 81 per cent from Hampshire County Council.

A motion to draw up an action plan to save youth services was made by councillor Jack Cousens.

Festival line-up

BASINGSTOKE: Artists, musicians, performers, comedians, dancers and gymnasts can sign up to take part in this year's Basingstoke Festival.

Registration opened yesterday to perform in the three-week long carnival of entertainment across the town from June 19 to July 12.

Last year more than 100 acts made it the biggest Basingstoke Festival to date.

To take part go to basingstokefestival.co.uk and register by March 13.

Land for extra 1,800 houses debated

• *From front page*

The new 850 figure was recommended for approval in a council report published on Monday.

The report - by cabinet member for planning Mark Ruffell - said: "given the inspector's concerns regarding the choice of forecast assumptions and scenarios, a figure of 850 should be identified as the 'policy off' figure to use as the basis for further work on the Local Plan."

Council cabinet members could approve or reject the number this Tuesday at a cabinet meeting from 6.30pm at the council's London Road base.

Councillor John Leek, of Sherborne St John, said: "We spent years developing our local plan, taking into account the comments from local residents. We settled on the figure of 748 dwellings.

"Now one man, tells us that he doesn't like it. Just one man.

"My ward, Sherborne St John, is being asked to take 3,000 houses."

But councillor Martin Biermann said: "This government inspector might be only one man but he is a very powerful man.

"He is, in many ways, a dictator!"

"He will carry out the will of central government."

If cabinet members approve the figure it is expected to then go to full council for a vote.

An updated housing strategy and changes would then be compiled for March, before a six-week public consultation in May or June.

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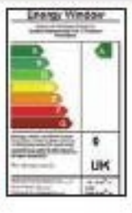
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Police chief vows frontline policing is protected

BASINGSTOKE'S police chief has vowed police presence across the town is a key priority, despite a drop in the number of neighbourhood police officers.

Chief Inspector Simon Dodds, area commander for Basingstoke, said officers play a major frontline role, although cutbacks have to be made.

His comments came after the Observer reported last week shopkeepers had raised concerns about fewer patrols in the town centre.

From April, the number of neighbourhood officers across Basingstoke is to fall from 32 Police Constables to 21 – while PCSOs will go from 24 to 26.

Chief Inspector Dodds said: "There are some police forces getting rid of neighbourhood officers all together and we are committed to keeping them."

He added: "Yes, we are having to make some changes.

"The force has got to be able to look at different aspects of policing, so 999 calls and the most vulnerable people such as children and the elderly we have to safeguard, while continuing neighbourhood policing but accepting the number of officers we have got has fallen."

The neighbourhood policing team will also move from their base at Basingstoke Police Station in London Road to the Parklands building opposite.

Hampshire Constabulary has to make cuts of £25million by 2017.

Minister admires new air force fleet

• Philip Dunne MP during a visit to RAF Odiham last week

DEFENCE equipment minister Philip Dunne admired RAF Odiham's new Chinook helicopters last week during a visit to the base.

By **Katriona Ormiston**
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Mr Dunne toured the station on Thursday to see the six new heavy-lift helicopters called Mk6 Chinooks.

Another eight are to be delivered this year as part of a £1billion investment to upgrade the RAF's heavy-lift helicopters over the next 10 years.

The Mk6 Chinook, which is fitted with a new digital automatic flight control system and a digital 'glass' cockpit, is the UK's only military heavy-lift cargo helicopter.

Mr Dunne, minister for defence equipment, support and technology, said: "The Chinook fleet is the heavy-lift workhorse helicopter which provides a remarkable capability for all our Armed Forces.

"I was pleased to have the opportunity to thank RAF commanders and crews for the enduring work they have undertaken in various theatres."

He added: "I was also encouraged to see the improvements to flight safety, mission capability and versatility that the platform upgrades have introduced."

• The new Mk 6 Chinook at RAF Odiham

The extra 14 aircraft ordered by the MOD will bring the overall number of UK Chinooks to 60.

They are to be fully operational by the end of 2017.

The Mk6 Chinooks also have better infrared systems, defensive machinery, and communication and navigation equipment.

RAF Odiham station commander, group captain Richard Maddison, said: "It has been an upmost pleasure to host the visit and to demonstrate the versatility and capability RAF Odiham's personnel and equipment can offer."

He continued: "The Chinook helicopter has been at the forefront of military operations since 1982, delivering support in numerous ways not just in conflict, but also during times of humanitarian crisis and where national resilience is required.

"None of this would be possible however without the adaptable and capable military and civilian personnel that is stationed here at Odiham."

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Carers chip-in

BASINGSTOKE: Staff at a Basingstoke care home raised more than £200 for a mental health charity last month.

Kind-hearted carers at Pemberley House in Grove Road organised a Christmas fair last month to fundraise for Andover Mind.

Pemberley House's home manager Geoff Honour said: "We are delighted to have raised so much money for such an important charity in the local community."

They are to continue supporting the charity in 2015.

Solar farm plans

WHITCHURCH: Plans for a solar farm near Whitchurch have been unveiled.

Green Energy UK Direct put forward proposals to install solar panels on 12 acres of land by Spring Hill Lane at Swampton Farm in St Mary Bourne.

It applied for a screening opinion to Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council last week – to find out from officers if the land would be suitable.

Race for Life

BASINGSTOKE: Women in Basingstoke can now sign up to Cancer Research's Race for Life event.

The 5k event will start at the Down Grange Sports Complex in Pack Lane.

Those who take part will have to fundraise for the cancer charity.

Last year, 2.614 women took part in Race for Life and raised £138,109. It takes place on June 17 and to enter, visit www.raceforlife.org.

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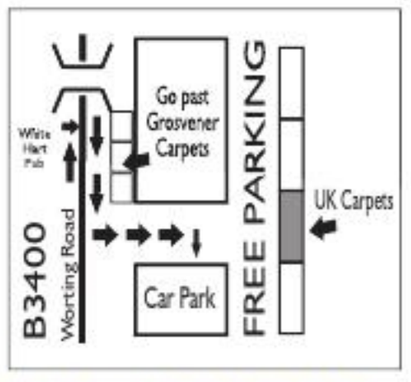

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Alton star prepares for first UK tour

HAVING finally achieved his childhood dream of performing in front of star struck audiences, Alton man Michael Auger still has to pinch himself to check reality.

The 24-year-old member of Collabro – the group that won the eighth series of Britain's Got Talent last year – is preparing for his first tour.

Along with band members Richard Hadfield, Jamie Lambert, Matthew Pagan and Thomas J Redgrave, Michael will launch the tour this Monday in Carlisle.

"It is really exciting," he told the Observer.

"I am really looking forward to it. Everything has been such a whirlwind – we had five days off at Christmas to reflect and it still feels like a dream."

By **Mathew Di Salvo**
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The five lads, who signed to Simon Cowell's label Syco Records, will complete a 33-date tour over a period of 42 days.

They will hit Bristol, Cardiff, London, Oxford and Newcastle, before finishing in Southend at the Cliffs Pavilion on March 9.

Rehearsing is top of the boys' priorities as well as hitting the gym and eating well to make sure they are on top form.

"During the tour we will be performing all the songs off the album and some new stuff to surprise the crowds," said Michael.

"We want to show crowds that we are working on new material and that we have a potential album in the works."

The band will be releasing a book in March documenting their rise to stardom, including childhood pictures.

And they will be performing on Britain's Got Talent in May.

However, Michael, who wants the band to go international, insists that he has not forgotten his Alton roots.

He said: "I had a party over Christmas and about 20 people from Alton came along.

"A lot of them were expecting me to be different but I still don't believe its happening.

"I would really love to go down there [Alton] and perform.

"We are living the dream – earning money and doing what we love doing," he added.

• Michael Auger (second left) with his Collabro band mates ahead of this month's UK tour

Three men on the run after escaping arrest

• Jason Eastwood, Michael Redford, and Nathan Redford

HAMPSHIRE police are on the hunt for three men who escaped arrest.

Jason Eastwood, 18, of Farnborough, Michael Redford, 21, of Sandhurst, Berkshire, and Nathan Redford, 27, also of Sandhurst, are wanted for a number of allegations.

The trio were stopped by police on the A30, between Blackwater and Blackbushe – close to Hartley Wintney - just after midnight, on January 12.

As they were being arrested, police say one of the men assaulted an officer, and they managed to run away.

Hampshire Constabulary appealed for information on the men last week - wanted in connection with being equipped for theft and shoplifting.

The men had been travelling in a Ford Focus car.

Detective Sergeant Gavin Whyte said: "I would urge members of the public who have seen these men or know who they are to contact police immediately.

"It's believed they have access to a vehicle and are travelling between Hampshire, the Thames Valley and Surrey."

Anyone with any information is asked to call police on 101.

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New charity shop

BASINGSTOKE: A new charity shop to raise funds for people affected by a painful skin condition is due to open today at Chineham Shopping Centre.

National charity DEBRA, for victims of genetic blistering condition Epidermolysis Bullosa, will open its store at 11am.

It will sell furniture, clothes, books, toys and CDs to raise money to support sufferers.

Business award

BASINGSTOKE: Basingstoke MP Maria Miller is urging the town's small shops to enter a national parliamentary competition.

She said: "This is a great opportunity for small shops in Basingstoke to get recognition for the brilliant work they do supporting the community and creating jobs all year round."

Small shops can submit their application by 4pm on January 30 at bestsmallshops.uk, setting out in 500 words why they are the best.

Shortlisted candidates will be invited to a parliamentary reception on February 25 where the winner will be announced.

Charity chosen

BASINGSTOKE: Basingstoke Motor Club has chosen Hampshire hospices Naomi House and Jack's Place as their first ever charity of the year.

The club, which meets at The Queens College Arms in Pamber End, will raise funds for the Sutton Scotney-based hospices for children and young people.

News Bites

Council meets

WHITCHURCH: The next scheduled meeting of Whitchurch Town Council will take place on Monday, January 26.

The development committee is due to meet at Whitchurch Town Hall in Newbury Street at 7.30pm.

Mayor to host charity dance

ALTON: A charity barn dance held by Alton's mayor will take place at the Town Hall on Saturday, February 14.

The event will raise money for the Wessex Cancer Trust.

It will start at 7pm in Market Square.

Tickets are now on sale for £12 and can be bought from the town council.

Call 01420 83986 for more information.

Neighbourhood plan meeting

OVERTON: Residents can vote for which sites they would prefer to see developed during an exhibition of Overton's Neighbourhood Plan on Saturday.

A public consultation earmarking the six shortlisted sites for housing in the village will run from 9.30am until 5.30pm at St Luke's Hall in Winchester Street.

Developers' plans for the sites will also be on show.

Overton's neighbourhood planning group is hosting the session.

For more details go to overtonparishcouncil.gov.uk.

Action plan could spuce up 'neglected' streets

THE borough council will meet tonight to discuss what can be done to sort out Basingstoke's neighbourhood problems.

By **Mathew Di Salvo**
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A scoping group of councillors was set up in July to rethink ways they can better deal with the maintenance of footpaths, garage areas and green and open spaces.

A pre-meeting briefing report states plans for better neighbourhood management was because residents were "reporting a growing condition of neglect" on their streets.

The proposal states: "The borough council, county council and other agencies like housing associations and the police are not always able to provide the standard of service our residents have the right to expect.

"From broken fences, walls and derelict garages to poorly maintained footpaths and garage areas.

"From poor housing management and nuisance neighbours to the serious problem of drugs and dog fighting."

It continues: "These are some of the issues residents throughout Basingstoke have raised with us.

"Residents want us to stop the 'pass the buck culture', where various agencies and the council avoid responsibility for sorting out problems."

It was put forward that 'neighbourhood managers' could be created for individual wards in Basingstoke and Deane.

Therefore, residents would have a single point of contact for reporting local issues.

The council also plans to discuss the option of creating a better partnership between groups.

This would aim to make housing associations, the highways authority and the borough council work well together so funding can be better coordinated for the maintenance and care of neighbourhoods in Basingstoke.

Setting up a website so residents can report local issues will also be considered.

The scoping group is made up of councillors Martin Biermann, Michael Bound, Michael Westbrook and Paul Miller.

The community, environment and partnerships committee will meet in the council's civic offices in London Road at 6.30pm.

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'Stoke's "gorgeous" half marathon in top-10 UK runs

THE hugely successful Basingstoke Half Marathon has been recognised as one of the best in the country.

Magazine Runner's World ranked the 13-mile race as one of the top 10 half marathons in the country for the third time.

Last year's event, organised by promotional organisation Destination Basingstoke, took place on October 5 and over 2,400 people finished the race.

Felicity Edwards of Destination Basingstoke said: "We are so proud that our race is being recognised by industry experts and runners alike.

"I really believe the success is as much due to the way our community – whether runners or not – have embraced and supported the event."

The race last year was won by 25-year-old Kenyan paralympian Jonah Chesum in a time of one hour and six minutes.

Mr Chesum ran in the lower arm amputee category at the London 2012 Paralympics.

The annual race began in 2011 and takes runners from the town and through the Hampshire countryside.

It has been shortlisted for the national annual Running Awards where people can vote for their favourite half marathon.

The Running Awards will take place at Indigo in The O2 Arena, London, on April 24.

Kerry McCarthy, the commissioning editor of Runner's World, said that the event surprised her.

She added: "Most of the route takes you through the surrounding countryside and villages. It's hilly, gorgeous and the support is brilliant.

"I absolutely loved it."

- **Last year's half marathon**

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Police rugby final

HAMPSHIRE: Sussex Police will battle Hampshire Police on the rugby pitch at Basingstoke RFC next week.

The Area 2 final of the British Police Rugby Union's National Cup competition kicks off at 7pm on Wednesday, January 28.

Hampshire defeated Kent last month to progress to the Area 2 final to host Sussex at Down Grange in Pack Lane.

M3 roadworks

BASINGSTOKE: Slip roads along the M3 from junctions 9 to 7 northbound will be closed overnight tomorrow for road marking and repairs.

From Thursday, January 22, between 10pm and 6am signed diversions will be in place from junction 7 Basingstoke West to junction 9 at Winchester.

The southbound slip roads were shut overnight on Monday and Tuesday.

In it to win it

HAMPSHIRE: St Michael's Hospice has announced the winners of its latest lottery draw from January 16

First prize of £1,000 goes to ticket 23361 of Basingstoke, while ticket 02762 of Kingsclere claims second prize of £100.

Third prize of £50 goes to Basingstoke ticket 43335, and Baughurst ticket 39526 gets fourth prize of £20.

Sixteen prizes of £5 go to tickets 11737, 21007, 25131, 34973, 39431, 50392, 56890, 58666, 64695, 67723, 70632, 71863, 72970, 78884, 86267 and 87253.

Brighton Hill youth club could close

NEWS that Brighton Hill's youth club may close in April has been met by shock from town leaders and residents.

By Mathew Di Salvo
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The club, for 11 to 17-year-olds based at The Café Dome in Brighton Hill Parade, has been open since June 2013.

But it could soon be forced to shut due to a lack of volunteers.

As a result, an appeal has been launched by the borough council on January 14 to try secure the future of the club.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council member for Brighton Hill North, Mark Taylor, said: "If the youth have something to do then anti-social behaviour goes down.

"If a kid has nothing to do, then they can get on the wrong side of the law."

He added: "This isn't just in Brighton Hill – we could lose a generation."

People are being called on to volunteer and offer specialist skills so football, dance or creative sessions can be run.

The youth club runs every Monday and Wednesday evening from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Between 15 and 20 young people attend the twice-weekly sessions at The Café Dome, behind Asda.

Brighton Hill resident Bob Clifford, 56, of Britten Road, said: "I think the kids need something to do and it is not good to necessarily assume that they can find alternatives for themselves."

While Councillor Carolyn Wooldridge, of Brighton Hill North, said: "I think it is such an important resource for the community.

"It is one of the things residents really want, and helps with anti-social behaviour."

· The Dome (photo by Paul Moulton, pdm.photos)

Councillor's Corner

Cabinet member John Izett
Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council

On balancing the books

IT'S annual budget time at Basingstoke council.

The administration is proposing a balanced, debt-free budget later this month including not increasing council tax, frozen for a fifth year despite another 31 per cent reduction in government grants of £978,000.

Council finances are under pressure and we are facing small council tax rises in future years, but we are maintaining services to residents and, by squeezing our costs again, we are finding just under £2million to spend on urgent priorities such as services for the elderly and young people.

Additional money for community safety patrol services, CCTV, town centre improvements and housing to prevent homelessness has also been found.

We consulted on our budget proposals and received over 70 responses and the vast majority were supportive.

Which brings me to the borough elections in May 2015 that will soon be on us.

Based on the consistently high satisfaction results of annual council surveys, the vast majority of residents seem happy with what we're doing as an administration.

But I wonder how many realise that we have no majority of councillors? There are 29 Conservatives out of 60 elected councillors.

As the cabinet member responsible for council finances I have listened to so many opposition party calls over the years to find taxpayers' money to subsidise all manner of things from new bus services to council housing.

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New boss bids to revive rundown Popley pub

THE new manager of Popley's last pub has vowed to try and bury it's violent past and turn it around.

Gary Garlinge, 28, has been running The Popinjay in Abbey Road for almost a month – and says so far there has been no sign of trouble.

The pub had faced being shut for good last month after a string of dangerous attacks and fights over 2014 prompted police to call a license review.

By **Mathew Di Salvo**
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But a review committee of Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council officers, councillors and police ruled it could reopen subject to strict conditions.

The 28-year-old manager said: "I heard about the pub's past - taking over seemed like a bit of a challenge but to be honest, the whole place seems a bit misunderstood.

"All the customers have the same attitude as me, they want to come in, have a good time and a beer."

As part of the rules a new CCTV system has been installed and an incident book set up at the pub.

But Mr Garlinge, who moved from Bournemouth, has said there have been no problems since he took over and reopened the pub on December 19.

He added: "It is a friendly atmosphere in Popley, really welcoming.

"At the pub we like to have a nice time and make sure everyone enjoys themselves. If people stick to the rules, it will be fine."

So far, Mr Garlinge has introduced a quiz night at the pub, fitted BT Sports so football can be aired and plans to get punters singing karaoke.

The council is to keep an eye on the pub and lift the extra conditions if it can prove it can keep trouble at bay.

The pub closed its doors temporarily on October 24 when the old landlady fled after the problems, which included police reports that she had been attacked.

Police listed call-outs to the pub 16 times in six months last year to deal with aggressive customers, drug use and vandalism.

But while some residents told the Observer they were relieved it had closed, others wanted a safer community pub under new management.

Company Higgy's Inns Ltd manages the pub but Enterprise Inns owns the lease.

Mr Garlinge said Higgy's Inns, a company based in Bournemouth, is planning to buy the lease from Enterprise Inns.

News Bite

Basing House

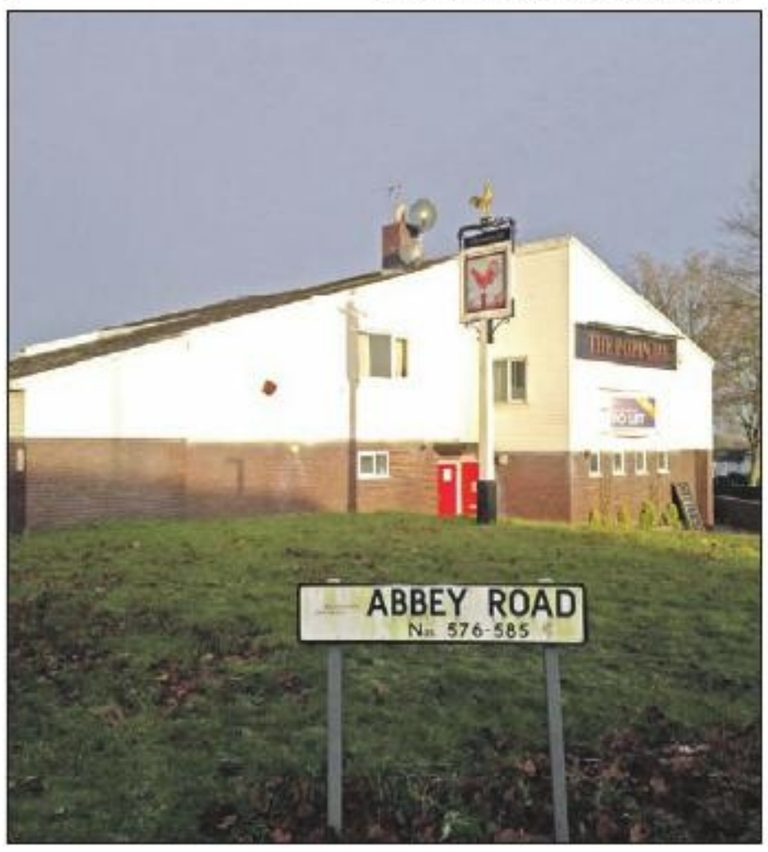
BASINGSTOKE: University of Southampton researcher Chris Elmer will give a talk on the history of Basing House at the Basingstoke Discovery Centre next month.

Basing House was a Tudor palace and castle and is grade two listed – meaning it has special historical or architectural interest.

It is located in The Street in Old Basing.

The talk will begin at 2pm on February 3. Tickets are £3.

Call 01256 478670 for more information and to book a space.



· The Popinjay pub

Hartley Wintney GP surgery expansion

PLANS for an expansion of the GP surgery in Hartley Wintney are being discussed.

An extension of the building in Chapter Terrace would provide storage space and a new consulting room.

Hartley Wintney Parish councillor Tony Woods told the Observer he had met with a builder and agreed that the work would cost around £30,000.

He said: "Nothing has been signed yet but we are looking at the possibility – there is the need for more rooms.

"It won't be a major expansion.

"We can get an architect to draw up what they want.

"We [the parish council] are the facilitators, the money has been earmarked and we want to see it spent where it is meant to be.

"We will probably have to get more than one quote though."

He added: "We will have to get more than one quote but we are hoping we could do it within the year."

The money would come from developers Barratt Homes who are overseeing a development of 328 homes in Dilly Lane – St Mary's Park.

It would mean extra patients could be signed up.

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Garden sign-up

BASINGSTOKE AND DEANE: Residents can now sign up to a new fortnightly garden waste recycling collection service - run by Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council.

Depending on where residents live, they will be given a collection day and two sacks for recycling green waste.

The service will start from Monday, February 16.

If residents sign up late, they will be charged for how many collections they will receive until the service ends in mid-December.

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WIN tickets as Bohemia comes to Basingstoke

THE Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, world-renowned period instrument ensemble, return to The Anvil this February to perform two Central European programmes.

On Friday 6 February 2015 the OAE perform an all-wind programme. Bohemian composer Josef Myslivecek was described by his close friend Mozart as being full of 'fire, spirit and life', a character that shows through in his compositions, including his Wind Octet performed here. Finishing off the evening is Mozart himself, with a selection from the ever-popular Don Giovanni and his serenade, Gran Partita, with its heart-melting adagio.

Thursday 26 February 2015 sees the Orchestra return for more Czech music, including Smetana's energetic, folk-infused overture from his opera, The Bartered Bride. Dvorák's New World Symphony however, played for the first time here on period instruments, was written in and heavily influenced by America yet expressed perfectly Dvoák's longing for his native Europe.

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We have two pairs of tickets to what looks like a fascinating evening of classical music on Friday, February 6, and to be in with a chance of winning a pair all you have to do is answer the following simple question:

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Quick Clues Across

1 Rudeness (11)
9 Friend (3)
10 Spectator (9)
11 Attack (5)
13 Devotee (7)
14 Usual (6)
16 Lament (6)
18 A master (7)
19 Portent (5)
20 Essential (9)
21 Everything (3)
22 Legal proceedings (11))

Quick Clues Down

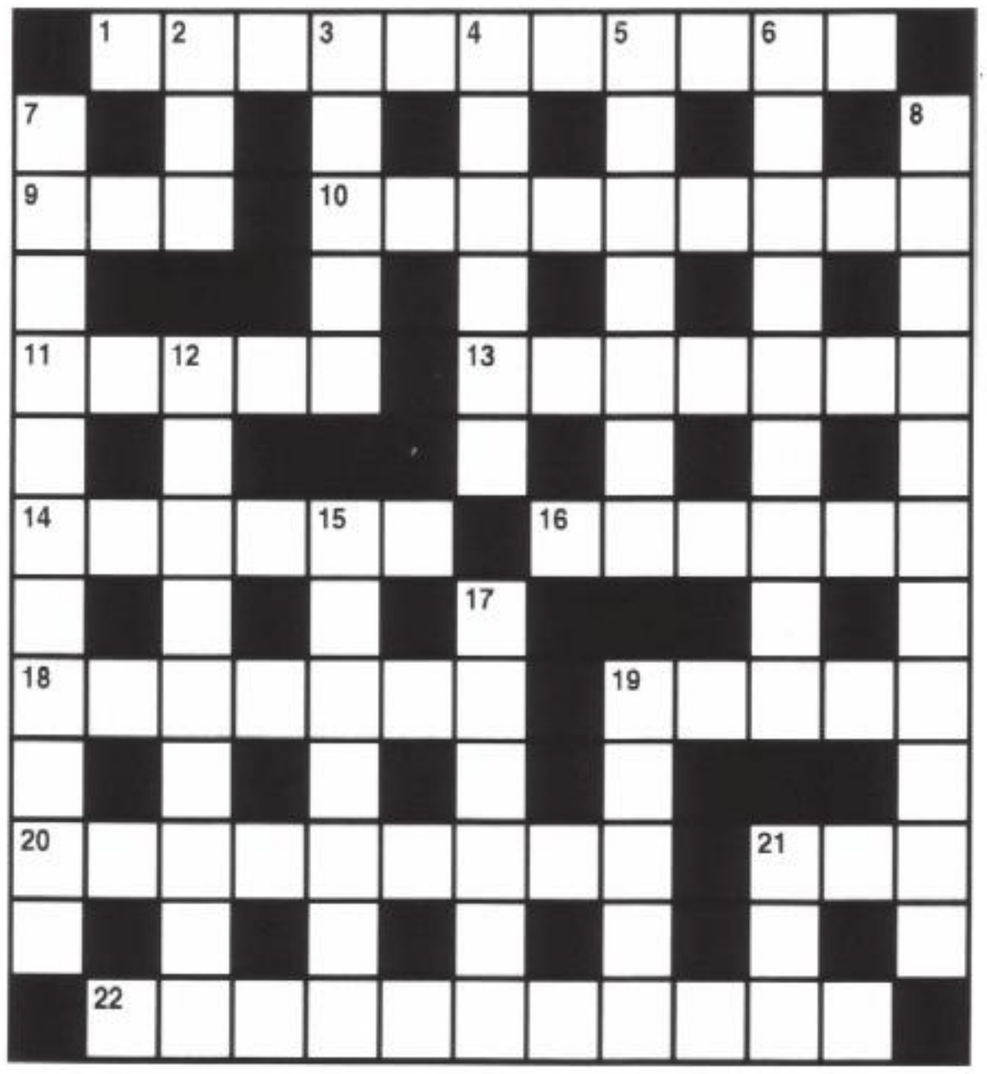
2 Sick (3)
3 Old measure (5)
4 Dangerous (6)
5 Novice (7)
6 Divert (9)
7 Nomination (11)
8 Fiercely (11)
12 Public vehicle(9)
15 Testifies (7)
17 Inlaid pattern of tiles (6)
19 Assignation (5)
21 Fuss (3)

Cryptic Clues Across

1 One in a high position who is a guide to prevailing trends? (11)
9 Strangely uneven (3)
10 Any Pole is unsettled in these islands (9)
11 Heads of hair that give power, so it's said (5)
13 A superintendent set at odds with guardianship (7)
14 Refuse, for example, in a net that is tangled (6)
16 One having poems with electrical contents (6)
18 After a time nearly everything is on the side (7)
19 Outline - you can hardly see it (5)
20 He takes you in for treatment (9)
21 A curve in regular circles (3)
22 Plates broken, thrown after start of row - resulting in this medical treatment? (7,4)

Cryptic Clues Down

2 Close target (3)
3 What the secretary does to make an impression? (5)
4 Lets in mistakenly to enter in the register (6)
5 Is the youngster able to get a meal here? (7)
6 Her predictions were Greek to the Trojans, believe it or not (9)
7 A spot behind open land is much used (11)
8 Being in a container, so it's said, gives you white heat (11)
12 It's a strange thing to happen late in the day (9)
15 Marine animals making unusual rustle under end of net (7)
17 The mass he put on (6)
19 A musical elixir? (5)
21 A ship's idiot (3)



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Sudoku

The objective is to fill a 9×9 grid with digits so that each column, each row, and each of the nine 3×3 sub-grids that compose the grid (also called "boxes", "blocks", "regions", or "sub-squares") contains all of the digits from 1 to 9. The puzzle setter provides a partially completed grid, which for a well-posed puzzle has a unique solution.

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This week's solutions

Quick Crossword

Across: 1 Discourtesy 9 Pal 10 Bystander 11 Onset 13 Fanatic 14 Normal 16 Bewail 18 Maestro 19 Token 20 Necessary 21 All 22 Prosecution

Down: 2 Ill 3 Cubit 4 Unsafe 5 Trainee 6 Sidetrack 7 Appointment 8 Truculently 12 Streetcar 15 Attests 17 Mosaic 19 Tryst 21 Ado

Cryptic Crossword

Across: 1 Weathercock 9 Odd 10 Polynesia 11 Manes 13 Steward 14 Negate 16 Anodes 18 Lateral 19 Trace 20 Charlatan 21 Arc 22 Plaster cast

Down: 2 End 3 Types 4 Enfist 5 Canteen 6 Cassandra 7 Commonplace 8 Candescence 12 Nightfall 15 Turtles 17 Clothe 19 Tonic 21 Ass

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Friday January 23rd

DAYTIME

BBC1

Pointless, 5.15pm

6.00 Breakfast (T) **9.15 Wanted Down Under** (T) **10.00 Homes Under the Hammer** (T)(R) **11.00 Saints and Scroungers** (T)(R) **11.45 Helicopter Heroes Down Under** (T) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (T) **1.00 BBC News;** Weather (T) **1.30 BBC Regional News and Weather** (T) **1.45 Doctors** (T) **2.15 Father Brown** (T) **3.00 Escape to the Country** (T)(R) **3.45 James Martin: Home Comforts** (T) **4.30 Antiques Road Trip** (T) **5.15 Pointless** Quiz show, hosted by Alexander Armstrong. (T) **6.00 BBC News;** Weather (T) **6.30 BBC Regional News Programmes;** Weather (T)

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7.00 The One Show Hosted by Chris Evans and Alex Jones. (T)
7.30 Match of the Day Live Cambridge United v Manchester United (kick-off 7.55pm). Gary Lineker presents coverage. (T)

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10.00 BBC News (T)
10.25 BBC Regional News; (T) National Lottery Update (T)
10.35 The Graham Norton Show Light-hearted chat. (T)

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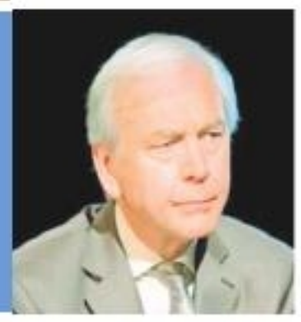
11.20 Bluestone 42 Bird attempts to teach Mary a lesson. (T)
11.50 EastEnders Omnibus. Linda wants the family to celebrate Mick's birthday. (T)(R)

AFTER 12

1.45 Weather for the Week Ahead (T) **1.50** BBC News (T)

BBC2


Mastermind, 8pm

6.05 Homes Under the Hammer (T)(R) **7.05 Saints and Scroungers** (T)(R) **7.50 Helicopter Heroes Down Under** (T)(R) **8.20 Sign Zone: Channel Patrol** (T)(R) **9.05 Sign Zone: The Great Interior Design Challenge** (T)(R) **10.05 Sign Zone: Food & Drink** (T)(R) **10.35 The Travel Show** (T) **11.00 BBC News** (T) **11.30 BBC World News** (T) **12.00 Daily Politics** (T) **1.00 Live International Bowls** (T) **5.15 Flog It!** From Northampton. (T)(R) **6.00 Eggheads** Quiz show, hosted by Jeremy Vine. (T) **6.30 Great British Railway Journeys** Michael Portillo travels from Newcastle to Lindisfarne. (T)

7.00 Antiques Road Trip Philip Serrell and Charles Hanson travel through London, Cambridge and Peterborough and head to auctions in Greenwich and Glemsford in Suffolk. (T)

8.00 Mastermind Specialist subjects include the poetry of John Betjeman. (T)
8.30 Food & Drink The unsung heroes of the British larder. (T)

9.00 The Big Allotment Challenge The six remaining contestants must present perfectly uniform tomatoes, grow rudbeckia and incorporate them in a stacked flowerpot arrangement and make sweet and savoury jams.

10.00 QI With Jo Brand, Colin Lane and David Mitchell. (T)
10.30 Newsnight (T)

11.00 Weather (T)
11.05 FILM Albatross (2011) (15) Premiere. Drama, with Jessica Brown Findlay. (T)

12.30 International Bowls (T) **1.30** Sign Zone: Question Time (T)(R) **2.30** This Is BBC Two (T)

ITV

The Martin Lewis Money Show, 8pm

6.00 Good Morning Britain News, current affairs and lifestyle features. (T) **8.30 Lorraine** (T) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (T) **10.30 This Morning** (T) **12.30 Loose Women** (T) **1.30 ITV News** (T) **1.55 ITV Regional News;** Weather (T) **2.00 Judge Rinder** Real-life cases in a studio courtroom. (T) **3.00 Tipping Point** Quiz show, hosted by Ben Shephard. (T) **3.59 ITV Regional Weather** (T) **4.00 Mel & Sue** With Robert Webb and Kara Tointon. (T) **5.00 The Chase** Quiz show, hosted by Bradley Walsh. (T) **6.00 ITV Regional News;** Weather (T) **6.30 ITV News** (T)

7.00 Emmerdale Katie warns Chrissie not to trust Robert. (T)
7.30 Coronation Street Sinead is told she needs an urgent operation. (T)

8.00 The Martin Lewis Money Show Managing family finances when a close relative loses mental capacity. (T)
8.30 Coronation Street Chesney, Beth and Kirk wait anxiously for word of Sinead's operation. (T)

9.00 Benidorm Les's ex Gloria arrives at the Solana to lure her son Liam back to the UK, Kenneth goes in search of a cure for Joyce's illness and the Oracle prepares to walk on hot coals. (T)

10.00 ITV News and Weather (T)
10.30 ITV Regional News; Weather (T)
10.40 FILM Knocked Up (2007) (15) Romantic comedy, starring Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl and Paul Rudd. (T)

1.00 Jackpot247 3.00 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA (T)(R) **3.40** ITV Nightscreen

Channel 4

Brooklyn Nine-Nine, 11.40pm

6.00 Countdown (T)(R) **6.45 According to Jim** (T)(R) **7.10 The King of Queens** (T)(R) **8.00 Frasier** (T)(R) **9.00 Everybody Loves Raymond** (T)(R) **10.00 Undercover Boss** (T)(R) **11.00 Car SOS** (T) **12.00 Channel 4 News** (T) **12.05 Come Dine with Me** (T)(R) **1.05 Four in a Bed** (T)(R) **2.10 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** A couple search for their dream home on Spain's Costa de la Luz. (T) **3.10 Countdown** With Tim Wonnacott. (T) **4.00 Deal or No Deal** Beat-the-banker game show. (T) **5.00 Come Dine with Me** The final dinner party in Norwich. (T) **5.30 The Simpsons** (T)(R) **6.30 Hollyoaks** (T)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T)

8.00 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast Pop star Ellie Goulding gives a burger a vegan twist and Jimmy Doherty reinvents the humble roast chicken with his DIY rotisserie. (T)

9.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Team captains Sean Lock and Jon Richardson are joined by Reginald D Hunter and Aisling Bea, while Holly Walsh is in Dictionary Corner with Susie Dent. Jimmy Carr hosts. (T)

10.00 The Last Leg Actress and comedienne Kathy Burke joins Adam Hills, Josh Widdicombe and Alex Brooker for a comic review of the significant moments of the past seven days. (T)

11.05 Catastrophe Comedy, written by and starring Rob Delaney and Sharon Horgan. (T)(R)
11.40 Brooklyn Nine-Nine Holt's long-time nemesis turns up for an inspection. (T)

12.05 Rude Tube (T) **1.00 FILM All About Steve (2009) (12)** (T) **2.40** The Ricky Gervais Show (T)(R) **3.05** The Ricky Gervais Show (T)(R) **3.30** SuperScrimpers (T)(R) **4.25** Grand Designs Australia (T)

Channel 5

Ice Road Truckers, 8pm

6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff 11.10 Cowboy Traders (T)(R) **12.10 5 News Lunchtime** (T) **12.15 Celebrity Big Brother** (T)(R) **1.15 Home and Away** (T) **1.45 Neighbours** (T) **2.15 NCIS: Los Angeles** The team tries to discover who hacked into the control systems of a drone. (T)(R) **3.15 FILM Client Seduction (2014) (12)** Premiere. Legal thriller, starring Ally Sheedy. (T) **5.00 5 News at 5** (T) **5.30 Neighbours** Terese offers Chris a trainee manager position. (T)(R) **6.00 Home and Away** Phoebe tries to renegotiate the terms of the contract herself. (T)(R) **6.30 5 News Tonight** (T)

7.00 Race to the Pole Richard Parks rounds off his training by competing in an extreme triathlon held in Snowdonia National Park, swimming 4.8 miles, cycling 232 miles and running 51 miles; (T) 5 News

8.00 Ice Road Truckers Art and Alex hit a dead end while picking up a load at Oxford House in Manitoba and have to ask a digger driver for help, while Lisa delivers a fire engine to St Theresa Point; (T) 5 News (T)

9.00 Celebrity Big Brother: Live Eviction Emma Willis presents the next eviction, announcing the least popular housemate and chatting to them about their time on the show. (T)

10.00 Celebrity Big Brother's Bit on the Side Rylan Clark and his guests discuss tonight's eviction, debating whether the public made the right decision.

11.30 Celebrity Big Brother: Live from the House Coverage of the housemates' every move.

12.15 SuperCasino 3.10 Celebrity Big Brother: The Eviction (T)(R) **4.00** Michaela's Wild Challenge (T)(R) **4.25** House Doctor (T)(R) **4.45** House Doctor (T)(R) **5.10** House Doctor (T)(R) **5.35** House Doctor (T)(R)

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ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 Life's Funniest Moments **6.25** You've Been Framed! **6.45** Emmerdale **7.45** You've Been Framed! **8.15** The Cube **9.15** Psych **10.10** The Chase **11.15** All Star Family Fortunes **12.15** Emmerdale **1.15** You've Been Framed! **1.45** Psych **2.40** The Jeremy Kyle Show **6.00** You've Been Framed! **7.00** You've Been Framed Extreme! **8.00** Two and a Half Men **9.00** FILM: Hot Fuzz (2007) (15) Action comedy, starring Simon Pegg and Nick Frost. **11.25** Take Me Out **12.40** Take Me Out - The Gossip **1.20** Cockroaches **1.45** Fake Reaction **2.20** Pixie Lott: The Hot Desk **2.30** Teleshopping

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Rising Damp **6.25** Wycliffe **7.25** Heartbeat **8.25** Where the Heart Is **9.35** The Royal **10.40** Judge Judy **12.00** Murder, She Wrote **1.00** Heartbeat **2.00** Where the Heart Is **3.10** The Royal **4.15** Never the Twain **4.50** Rising Damp **5.20** On the Buses **5.55** Heartbeat **6.55** Murder, She Wrote **8.00** Agatha Christie's Marple **10.00** Trial & Retribution **11.00** Law & Order: UK **12.05** Wycliffe **1.10** The Royal **2.05** Judge Judy **3.10** ITV3 Nightscreen **3.40** Emmerdale

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7
7.00 Doctor Who: The Ultimate Guide **7.15** Doctor Who **8.00** Excluded: Kicked Out of School **9.00** Tough Young Teachers **10.00** Russell Howard's Good News **11.00** Family Guy **12.30** Crims **1.00** Russell Howard's Good News **2.00** Uncle **3.30** Crims **4.00** Close

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 World News Today; Weather **7.30** Concerto at the BBC Proms **8.00** The Joy of Mozart **9.00** Sound of Song **10.00** Elvis: That's All Right 60 Years On **11.00** The Beatles' Please Please Me - Remaking a Classic **12.00** Motown at the BBC **1.00** Sound of Song **2.00** Elvis: That's All Right 60 Years On **3.00** The Beatles' Please Please Me - Remaking a Classic **3.55** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Happy Endings **6.20** Charmed **7.00** Made in Chelsea **8.00** Hollyoaks **8.30** Paternity Court **9.00** Rules of Engagement **10.00** Charmed **12.00** Hollyoaks **12.30** Rude(ish) Tube **1.00** How I Met Your Mother **2.00** The Big Bang Theory **3.00** Rules of Engagement **4.00** New Girl **4.30** Suburgatory **5.00** How I Met Your Mother **6.00** The Big Bang Theory **7.00** Hollyoaks **7.30** Rude(ish) Tube **8.00** The Big Bang Theory **8.30** Marry Me **9.00** FILM: Knight and Day (2010) (12) Comedy adventure, with Tom Cruise and Cameron Diaz. **11.10** The Big Bang Theory **12.10** Banana **12.40** Drifters **1.50** Virtually Famous **2.35** New Girl **3.00** Suburgatory **3.20** The Cleveland Show **3.40** Made in Chelsea **4.35** One Tree Hill

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 Grand Designs **10.00** Location, Location, Location **11.05** Kirstie's Vintage Gems **11.20** FILM: The African Queen (1951) (PG) **1.25** Time Team **3.35** A Place by the Sea **4.40** A Place in the Sun: Home or Away **6.50** Building the Dream **7.55** Grand Designs **9.00** FILM: Kingdom of Heaven (2005) (15) Historical epic, starring Orlando Bloom. **11.55** Gogglebox **12.55** Father Ted **2.00** Peep Show **2.35** Grand Designs **3.50** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 The Gentle Gunman (1952) (U) **12.45** The Flight of the Phoenix (1965) (PG) **3.30** River of No Return (1954) (PG) **5.20** Bend of the River (1952) (PG) **7.10** Airplane II: The Sequel (1982) (15) Disaster movie spoof sequel, with Robert Hays. **9.00** Van Helsing (2004) (12) Gothic action adventure, starring Hugh Jackman. **11.40** Killing Them Softly (2012) (18) Crime thriller, starring Brad Pitt. **1.35** Basket Case 2 (1990) (18) **3.30** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.10 The Gadget Show **7.35** Rocket City Rednecks **8.00** Top Gear **10.00** Red Bull Cliff Diving 2014 **10.40** Motorway Cops **12.00** Top Gear **2.00** American Pickers **3.00** Red Bull Cliff Diving 2014 **3.40** Motorway Cops **5.00** Top Gear **7.00** American Pickers **8.00** Storage Hunters **9.00** Not Going Out **10.20** Mock the Week **11.00** QI **12.20** Mock the Week **1.00** Storage Hunters **1.30** Red Bull Cliff Diving 2014 **2.05** American Pickers **2.55** Mongrels **4.00** Close

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Brainiac: Science Abuse **7.00** Inside RAF Brize Norton **8.00** All Aboard: East Coast Trains **9.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **11.00** Hawaii Five-0 **1.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **3.00** Emergency Animal Rescue **4.00** Futurama **5.00** The Simpsons **5.30** Futurama **6.30** The Simpsons **8.00** Show Me Your Garden **9.00** Ascension **10.40** Fortitude: Behind the Scenes **11.10** FILM: Deep Blue Sea (1999) (15) Thriller, starring Saffron Burrows. **1.15** Hawaii Five-0 **3.15** NCIS: Los Angeles **5.05** Stargate Atlantis

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 Stargate Atlantis **7.00** Stargate SG-1 **8.00** Star Trek: Enterprise **9.00** Seinfeld **10.00** House **11.00** Blue Bloods **12.00** Without a Trace **1.00** Stargate SG-1 **3.00** Stargate Atlantis **4.00** Star Trek: Enterprise **5.00** Seinfeld **6.00** House **7.00** Blue Bloods **8.00** Without a Trace **9.00** Billy Crystal - 700 Sundays **11.20** Silicon Valley **1.40** The Sopranos **2.55** Six Feet Under **4.00** Stargate SG-1 **5.00** Star Trek: Enterprise

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Saturday January 24th

DAYTIME

BBC1

Casualty, 9.15pm

6.00 Breakfast (T) **10.00 Saturday Kitchen Live** (T) **11.30 James Martin: Home Comforts** (T) **12.00 BBC News;** Weather (T) **12.10 Football Focus** (T) **1.00 Bargain Hunt** (T)(R) **2.00 Homes Under the Hammer** Properties in Newcastle, Shropshire and Kent. (T)(R) **3.00 Escape to the Continent** People considering moving from Britain to Europe. (T)(R) **4.00 Final Score** A round-up of this afternoon's football results. (T) **5.20 Pointless Celebrities** Soap stars take to the podiums. (T)(R) **6.10 BBC News;** Regional News; Weather (T) **6.30 Now You See It** The best and worst of the magic world. (T)

7 **7.00 The Voice UK** Emma Willis and Marvin Humes host the third round of blind auditions, with coaches Tom Jones, Will.i.am, Ricky Wilson and Rita Ora aiming to bolster their teams further. (T)

8 **8.25 The National Lottery: Win Your Wish List** Game show, hosted by Shane Richie. (T)

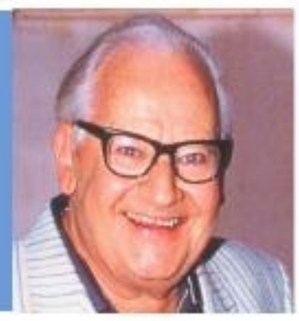
9 **9.15 Casualty** Rita's ex-husband turns up at the hospital. (T)

10 **10.05 BBC News;** Weather (T) **10.25 Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights** Gabby Logan presents highlights of the fourth-round matches; (T) National Lottery Update (T)

11 **11.55 The Football League Show** Manish Bhasin presents highlights and all the goals from the latest fixtures in the Championship, League One and League Two. (T)

AFTER 12 **12.55** FILM **Primeval (2007) (15)** Thriller, starring Dominic Purcell. (T) **2.25** Weather for the Week Ahead (T) **2.30** BBC News (T)

BBC2


Ronnie Barker: The Many Faces Of, 7.30pm

6.00 FILM **San Demetrio, London (1943) (PG)** (T) **7.35** FILM **Angels One Five (1953) (U)** (T) **9.10 Fred Dibnah's Age of Steam** (T)(R) **10.10 British Isles: A Natural History** (T)(R) **11.00 FA Cup Rewind: Fourth-Round Classics** (T) **12.00 James Martin: Home Comforts** (T)(R) **12.30 The Churchill Obituary** (T) **1.30 Great Britons** (T)(R) **2.30 Live International Bowls** The World Indoor Championships. (T) **4.30 Somerset: After the Floods** The year-long struggle of people affected by last winter's floods. (T)(R) **5.30 Flog It!** (T) **6.30 Porridge** (T)(R)

7.00 The Two Ronnies Sketchbook The comedy duo's favourite moments from their TV shows. Last in the series. (T)(R)
7.30 Ronnie Barker: The Many Faces Of A profile of the comedy actor and writer. (T)(R)

8.30 The Two Ronnies: The Studio Recordings Unedited takes from the classic comedy show. (T)(R)

9.00 Holbein: Eye of the Tudors – A Culture Show Special Waldemar Januszczak looks at the life and career of Henry VIII's court artist Hans Holbein. (T)

10.00 FILM **The Artist (2011) (PG)** A 1920s movie actor gives an actress her big break, but his career suffers with the advent of sound. Oscar-winning silent drama, starring Jean Dujardin and Berenice Bejo. (T)

11.35 International Bowls The World Indoor Championships. Highlights of the Open Singles semi-finals at the Potters Leisure Resort in Hopton-on-Sea, Norfolk. (T)

12.35 FILM **Thirteen Days (2000) (12)** Fact-based drama, starring Kevin Costner. (T) **2.50** This Is BBC Two (T)

ITV

Harry Hill's Stars in Their Eyes, 7pm

7.30 Scrambled!: Scrambled! (T) **7.35 Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters** (T)(R) **7.50 Scrambled!: Adventure Time** (T) **8.30 Scrambled!: Horrid Henry** (T)(R) **8.50 Scrambled!: Hulk and the Agents of Smash** (T) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (T)(R) **12.25 ITV News;** Weather (T) **12.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (T)(R) **1.35 The Undriveables** (T)(R) **2.05 Who's Doing the Dishes?** (T)(R) **3.05 Doc Martin** (T)(R) **4.05 Big Star's Little Star** (T)(R) **5.05 ITV Regional News;** Weather (T) **5.15 ITV News** (T) **5.30 You've Been Framed! Top 100 Senior Moments** (T)(R) **6.30 Planet's Got Talent** (T)

7.00 Harry Hill's Stars In Their Eyes A sales assistant, a senior manager of a tanning salon chain, a children's singing tutor, a mother and a student impersonate famous singers as they vie for a place in the final.

8.05 Take Me Out Sales consultant Lewis, strongman Archie, toy designer Adam and model Scott vie for the attentions of 30 single women. Paddy McGuinness hosts the dating show. (T)

9.20 The Jonathan Ross Show New series. The host is joined by Take That, Kingsman: The Secret Service stars Colin Firth and Taron Egerton, actress Caroline Quentin and comedienne Katherine Ryan. (T)

10.20 ITV News; Weather (T)
10.30 FILM **Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason (2004) (15)** Comedy sequel, starring Renee Zellweger, Colin Firth and Hugh Grant. (T)

Channel 4

Guy Martin's Spitfire, 7.30pm

6.10 How I Met Your Mother (T)(R) **7.00 Snowdon Race 2014** (T) **7.55 The Morning Line** (T) **9.00 The King of Queens** (T)(R) **9.30 Everybody Loves Raymond** (T)(R) **10.30 Frasier** (T)(R) **11.30 The Big Bang Theory** (T)(R) **12.25 Speed with Guy Martin** (T)(R) **1.30 Channel 4 Racing** Live coverage from Cheltenham and Doncaster. (T) **4.00 Come Dine with Me** Dinner-party hosts do battle in Chippenham, Wiltshire. (T)(R) **5.00 The Simpsons** (T)(R) **6.00 Channel 4 News** (T) **6.30 The Restoration Man** A dramatic vision for a wartime airfield control tower in the Highlands. (T)(R)

7.30 Guy Martin's Spitfire Guy Martin joins a two-year project to rebuild a Spitfire which was shot down over northern France in 1940 and was finally recovered in the 1980s. (T)(R)

9.00 FILM **Holocaust: Night Will Fall (2014) (15)** Premiere. The story of Sidney Bernstein's 1945 documentary exposing the horrors of the Nazi concentration camps. (T)

10.20 FILM **Unstoppable (2010) (12)** Two train operators must stop a runaway locomotive carrying toxic chemicals before it causes a major disaster. Tony Scott's action thriller, with Denzel Washington and Chris Pine. (T)

12.10 FILM **The Departed (2006) (18)** Gangster thriller, starring Leonardo DiCaprio and Matt Damon. (T) **2.45** Hollyoaks (T)(R) **5.00** SuperScrimpers: Winter Survival Tips (T)(R) **5.55** NFL: Rush Zone (T)

Channel 5

Elvis by the Presleys, 6.25pm

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Part one of two. Leo comes face to face with a deadly assassin. (T)(R) **10.35 Access** Showbiz news and gossip. **10.40 Ice Road Truckers** (T)(R) **1.25** FILM **Columbo: Death Hits the Jackpot (1991) (PG)** Detective drama, with Peter Falk and Rip Torn. (T) **3.25** FILM **Columbo: Murder Under Glass (1978) (PG)** Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. (T) **5.00** FILM **Columbo: A Matter of Honour (1976) (PG)** Crime drama, starring Peter Falk. (T) **6.25 Elvis by the Presleys** Personal reminiscences by the singer's family. (T)(R)

8.05 Elvis – The 1968 Comeback Special Classic TV show from 1968, including Heartbreak Hotel, Hound Dog, All Shook Up, Jailhouse Rock, Don't Be Cruel, Love Me Tender and Gospel Medley. (T)(R)

9.05 5 News Weekend (T)
9.15 Celebrity Big Brother Catching up with the celebrities as they react to Friday night's eviction, revealing how the departure has affected the remaining contestants. (T)

10.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation New series. Julie discovers a bomb has been planted in her car, while DB gets a phone call demanding he confess to arresting the wrong man in a serial killer case. (T)

11.15 Law & Order New series. Cyrus Lupo returns to New York. (T)

12.10 SuperCasino 3.10 Celebrity Big Brother (T)(R) **4.00** House Doctor (T)(R) **4.25** Make It Big (T)(R) **4.50** Make It Big (T)(R) **5.15** Angels of Jarm (T)(R) **5.20** Angels of Jarm (T)(R) **5.30** Angels of Jarm (T)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 Emmerdale **8.45** Coronation Street **11.15** The Cube: Celebrity Special **12.15** FILM: Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey (1993) (U) **2.00** Funniest Ever You've Been Framed! **4.05** You've Been Framed! **4.35** FILM: Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (2010) (U) Fantasy comedy, starring Emma Thompson. **6.50** FILM: Ocean's Thirteen (2007) (PG) Comedy crime caper sequel, with George Clooney. **9.20** Take Me Out – The Gossip **10.05** FILM: I Am Legend (2007) (15) Sci-fi thriller, starring Will Smith. **12.00** FILM: Couples Retreat (2009) (15) **2.10** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **2.35** Pixie Lott: The Hot Desk **2.45** Teleshopping **5.45** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Movies Now **6.10** Judge Judy **6.30** FILM: The Belles of St Trinian's (1954) (U) **8.20** Where the Heart Is **10.40** The Darling Buds of May **11.50** A Touch of Frost **1.55** Wycliffe **3.05** FILM: Carry On Loving (1970) (PG) **4.55** Agatha Christie's Marple **7.00** Doc Martin **8.00** Foyle's War **10.00** Lewis **12.05** Wycliffe **1.10** Bomb Girls **1.55** ITV3 Nightscreen **2.30** Teleshopping

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7
7.00 Great Movie Mistakes **8.00** Top Gear **9.00** FILM: Eagle Eye (2008) (12) Thriller, starring Shia LaBeouf. **10.50** Family Guy **1.55** Crims **2.25** Uncle **3.55** Close

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 Serengeti: Unnatural Histories **8.00** Bright Lights, Brilliant Minds: A Tale of Three Cities **9.00** Spiral **10.55** Only Yesterday: The Carpenters' Story **11.55** Duets at the BBC **12.55** Top of the Pops: 1980 **1.30** Sounds of the 70s 2: Art House Glam – Get in the Swing **2.00** Bright Lights, Brilliant Minds: A Tale of Three Cities **3.00** Only Yesterday: The Carpenters' Story **4.00** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Happy Endings **6.20** The Tomorrow People **7.05** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **8.00** Charmed **10.00** Rude(ish) Tube **10.30** Made in Chelsea **11.35** New Girl **12.30** Melissa & Joey **1.30** How I Met Your Mother **2.30** The Big Bang Theory **3.30** Bad(ish) Robots **4.30** Rude(ish) Tube **5.30** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** The 100 **9.00** FILM: Hot Tub Time Machine (2010) (15) Sci-fi comedy, starring John Cusack. **11.00** The Inbetweeners **12.10** How I Met Your Mother **1.10** Don't Trust the B**** in Apartment 23 **2.10** The Cleveland Show **3.15** One Tree Hill **4.00** Desperate Housewives **4.40** The Tomorrow People

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 Kirstie's Vintage Gems **9.25** The Churchills **11.25** FILM: Cocoon (1985) (PG) **1.45** Four in a Bed **4.25** A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun **5.25** Come Dine with Me **8.05** Walking Through History: England's Last Battle – West Country **9.10** Britain's Most Extreme Weather **10.15** Auschwitz: The Forgotten Evidence **11.20** Gogglebox **12.10** 8 Out of 10 Cats **1.00** Walking Through History: England's Last Battle – West Country **2.00** Auschwitz: The Forgotten Evidence **3.10** Peep Show **3.40** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 Destination Gobi (1953) (U) **1.00** The Three Musketeers (1993) (PG) **3.05** Carry On Up the Khyber (1968) (PG) **4.50** Only You (1994) (PG) **7.00** America's Sweethearts (2001) (12) Romantic comedy, with John Cusack and Julia Roberts. **9.00** Hitman (2007) (15) Action thriller, starring Timothy Olyphant. **10.50** In Fear (2013) (15) Horror, starring Iain De Caestecker and Alice Englert. **12.30** Scary Movie (2000) (18) **2.10** Basket Case 3 (1992) (18) **3.55** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.10 Driving Wars **8.00** Top Gear **10.00** American Pickers **11.00** Storage Hunters **12.00** Lizard Lick Towing **1.00** Man v Food **2.00** Beverly Hills Pawn **3.00** Storage Hunters **8.00** Would I Lie to You? **10.00** 8 Out of 10 Cats **11.00** Alan Davies: As Yet Untitled **12.00** Would I Lie to You? **1.20** Storage Hunters **2.15** American Pickers **3.05** Lizard Lick Towing **4.00** Close

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? **7.00** Glee **8.00** Modern Family **8.30** A League of Their Own **9.00** The Fantasy Football Club **10.00** Soccer AM **12.00** What's Up **1.00** Modern Family **1.30** The Theory of Everything Special **2.00** Last Man Standing **3.00** Greggs: More Than Meats the Pie **4.00** Emergency Animal Rescue **4.30** Last Man Standing **5.00** Harrow: A Very British School **6.00** The Fanatics **7.00** Show Me Your Garden **8.00** A League of Their Own **9.00** FILM: Deep Blue Sea (1999) (15) Thriller, starring Saffron Burrows. **11.05** A League of Their Own: Unseen **12.05** Last Man Standing **12.35** Road Wars **1.05** Hawaii Five-0 **2.00** NCIS: Los Angeles **3.00** Big Trouble in Thailand **4.00** Street Crime UK **5.00** Mission Implausible

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 Star Trek: Enterprise **9.00** Blue Bloods **1.00** House **4.00** Without a Trace **9.00** Blue Bloods **10.00** Silicon Valley **11.10** Girls **11.45** Togetherness **12.20** The Sopranos **1.35** Six Feet Under **3.50** Blue Bloods: Meet the Characters **4.00** The Devil's Dinner Party **5.00** Smash

Sunday January 25th

DAYTIME

BBC1

Last Tango in Halifax, 9pm

6.00 Breakfast (T) **7.30 Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights** (T)(R) **9.00 The Andrew Marr Show** (T) **10.00 The Big Questions** (T) **11.00 Sunday Politics** (T) **12.15 Bargain Hunt** (T)(R) **1.00 BBC News;** Weather (T) **1.15 Match of the Day Live** (T) **4.05 Escape to the Country** (T)(R) **4.35 Songs of Praise** (T) **5.10 Nature's Boldest Thieves** The behaviour of urban-dwelling seagulls, foxes, badgers and squirrels. (T) **6.00 BBC News;** Regional News; Weather (T) **6.30 Countryfile** The team follows in Robert Burns' footsteps in the Scottish Highlands. (T)

7.30 Still Open All Hours Granville begins to think the shop is haunted by Arkwright. Last in the series. (T)

8.00 Call the Midwife Barbara treats a first-time mother, but the birth does not go according to plan. Sister Julienne worries about Nonnatus House's financial problems, and a new nurse arrives. (T)

9.00 Last Tango in Halifax Caroline receives a worrying phone call to say the police have baby Flora and her nanny Holly is in the cells. Gillian is angry when Gary offers to pay for her wedding. (T)

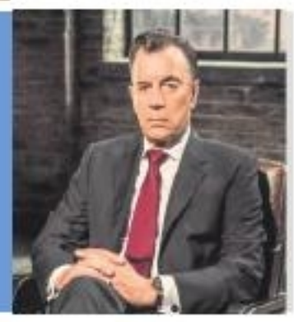
10.00 BBC News; Weather (T)
10.30 Match of the Day: FA Cup Highlights Mark Chapman presents action from the latest fourth-round matches, featuring Bristol City v West Ham United. (T)

11.30 The Apprentice USA Surviving candidates Meat Loaf, Marlee Matlin, Dionne Warwick and others are tasked with creating an advert for a new videophone. (T)

AFTER 12

12.55 Weather for the Week Ahead (T) **1.00** BBC News (T)

BBC2



Dragons' Den, 9pm

6.15 Great British Garden Revival (T)(R) **7.15 Glorious Gardens from Above** (T)(R) **8.00 Countryfile** (T)(R) **9.00 The Football League Show** (T)(R) **10.00 FA Cup Rewind: Fourth-Round Classics** (T) **11.00 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites** (T) **12.30 James Martin's Food Map of Britain** (T)(R) **12.45 FILM The Long and the Short and the Tall (1960) (PG)** (T) **2.30 Live International Bowls** The World Indoor Championships. (T) **5.15 Ski Sunday** The World Cup downhill from Kitzbuhel, Austria. (T) **6.00 FILM Real Steel (2011) (12)** Premiere. Sci-fi drama, starring Hugh Jackman. (T)

8.00 Top Gear New series. The presenters race one another across St Petersburg, with Jeremy Clarkson piloting a hovercraft, Richard Hammond riding a bicycle and James May driving a small car. (T)

9.00 Dragons' Den The business ideas contest returns after a break, with male leggings, high-vis sportswear, sandwich boards with a difference and an energy-efficient light bulb up for scrutiny. (T)

10.00 FILM Shadow Dancer (2012) (15) Premiere. An IRA member is arrested by British intelligence, and forced to turn informant to avoid prison. Thriller, starring Andrea Riseborough, Clive Owen and Gillian Anderson. (T)

11.35 Billionaire's Paradise: Inside Necker Island Documentary going behind the scenes at Richard Branson's Necker Island. (T)(R)

12.35 Sign Zone: Countryfile (T)(R) **1.30** Holby City (T)(R) **2.30** This Is BBC Two (T)

ITV

All Star Family Fortunes, 8.15pm

6.00 CITV 7.30 Scrambled!: Scrambled! (T) **7.35 Scrambled!: Nerds & Monsters** (T)(R) **7.50 Scrambled!: Ultimate Spider-Man** (T) **8.30 Scrambled!: Horrid Henry** (T)(R) **8.50 Scrambled!: Deadtime Stories** (T)(R) **9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show** (T)(R) **12.35 ITV News;** Weather (T) **12.40 Harry Hill's Stars In Their Eyes** (T)(R) **1.35 Catchphrase** (T)(R) **2.20 Midsomer Murders** (T)(R) **4.15 FILM The Man with the Golden Gun (1974) (PG)** James Bond adventure, starring Roger Moore and Christopher Lee. (T) **6.35 ITV Regional News;** Weather (T) **6.45 ITV News** (T)

7.00 Get Your Act Together Actor Nigel Havers, 1980s pop star Sinitta, TV presenter Gaby Roslin, comedian Rufus Hound and rapper Chip are paired with leading variety acts to compete for a place in the final. (T)

8.15 All Star Family Fortunes New series. With Dave Myers and Jack P Shepherd. (T)

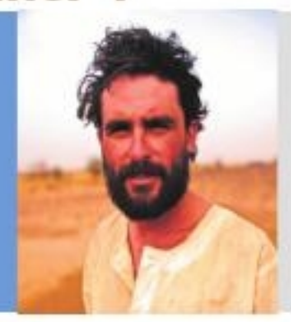
9.00 Mr Selfridge New series. Harry is grief-stricken as the family gathers for Rose's funeral, but nine months later and the Selfridges are in high spirits at Rosalie's wedding to a Russian aviator. (T)

10.00 ITV News; Weather (T)
10.20 Churchill: 100 Days That Saved Britain Drama-documentary about Winston Churchill's first three months as prime minister. (T)

11.20 The Undriveables A woman who hates exceeding 30mph and a man with spatial awareness issues. (T)(R)
11.50 The Chase Series three of the quiz show. (T)(R)

12.45 The Store 2.30 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA (T)(R) **3.10** ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show (T)(R)

Channel 4



Walking the Nile, 9pm

6.20 How I Met Your Mother (T)(R) **7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond** (T)(R) **8.30 Frasier** (T)(R) **9.30 Sunday Brunch** With Charlie Brooks, Ross Kemp and Gaz Coombes. (T) **12.30 Jamie and Jimmy's Friday Night Feast** Tinie Tempah learns to cook a Nigerian street-food classic. (T)(R) **1.30 The Big Bang Theory** (T)(R) **2.25 The Simpsons** (T)(R) **3.30 FILM Maid in Manhattan (2002) (PG)** Romantic comedy, with Jennifer Lopez and Ralph Fiennes. (T) **5.35 Channel 4 News** (T) **6.00 A Place in the Sun: Winter Sun** A couple who want to move to the Cayman Islands. (T)

7.00 Phil Spencer: Secret Agent Phil Spencer seeks buyers for two shabby semis in the north of England, including a home in Ripponden, West Yorkshire, with bare walls, dark decor and rather risque artworks. (T)

8.00 The Hotel Mark decides to bring Torquay's Gay Pride to the Cavendish, hoping the event will be highly profitable, but to guarantee a big crowd he needs to book a headlining celebrity. (T)

9.00 Walking the Nile Reaching his final country, Egypt, Levison's journey takes him through strongholds for the Muslim Brotherhood opposition group, where security must be tightened. Last in the series. (T)

10.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Team captains Sean Lock and Jon Richardson are joined by Reginald D Hunter and Aisling Bea, while Holly Walsh is in Dictionary Corner with Susie Dent. Jimmy Carr hosts. (T)(R)

11.05 FILM Evil Dead (2013) (18) Premiere. Horror remake, with Jane Levy. (T)

12.55 The Last Leg (T)(R) **1.50 FILM Joe Somebody (2001) (PG)** (T) **3.30** Kirstie's Best of Both Worlds (T)(R) **4.25** River Cottage Bites (T)(R) **4.35** SuperScrimpers (T)(R) **5.05** SuperScrimpers 2013 Resolutions (T)

Channel 5

Cats Do the Funniest Things, 11.45pm

6.00 Milkshake! 10.00 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles Part two of two. Donnie, Casey and April battle a group of huge worms. (T)(R) **10.35 Access** Showbiz news and gossip. (R) **10.50 The Hotel Inspector** (T)(R) **1.40 FILM Dudley Do-Right (1999) (PG)** Comedy, starring Brendan Fraser. (T) **3.20 FILM Cheaper By the Dozen 2 (2005) (PG)** Comedy sequel, starring Steve Martin. (T) **5.05 FILM Zookeeper (2011) (PG)** The animals in a zoo reveal to their keeper that they are able to talk and offer their advice in improving his unsuccessful love life. Comedy, with Kevin James. Edited for language. (T)

7.00 FILM Bulletproof Monk (2003) (12) A mysterious Tibetan monk battles modern-day Nazis while training a thief to be his successor. Martial arts thriller, starring Chow Yun-Fat. Edited for violence. (T)

8.55 5 News Weekend (T)

9.00 Celebrity Big Brother The ups and downs of life in the BB house as friendships and alliances are made, battle lines are drawn and arguments erupt. (T)

10.00 FILM The Darkest Hour (2011) (12) Premiere. Two software entrepreneurs on a business trip to Moscow get caught up in an invasion by a race of invisible aliens. Sci-fi horror, with Emile Hirsch and Olivia Thirlby. (T)

11.45 Cats Do the Funniest Things Compilation of internet videos, including cats playing musical instruments. Narrated by Iain Lee, with commentary by Susan Calman. (T)(R)

12.45 Car Crash TV (T)(R) **1.15** SuperCasino **3.10** Storage: Flog the Lot! (T)(R) **4.00** House Doctor (T)(R) **4.25** Make It Big (T)(R) **4.50** Make It Big (T)(R) **5.15** Angels of Jarm (T)(R) **5.20** Angels of Jarm (T)(R)

DIGITAL

ITV2 SKY: 118 FV: 6
6.00 Pixie Lott: The Hot Desk **6.10** Life's Funniest Moments **6.35** Emmerdale **9.20** Coronation Street **11.50** Take Me Out **1.00** Take Me Out – The Gossip **1.45** FILM: Homeward Bound II: Lost in San Francisco (1996) (U) **3.35** FILM: E.T.: The Extra-Terrestrial (1982) (U) Sci-fi fantasy, with Henry Thomas. **5.50** FILM: Along Came Polly (2004) (12) Romantic comedy, starring Ben Stiller and Jennifer Aniston. **7.35** FILM: The Mummy (1999) (12) Fantasy action adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. **10.00** FILM: The Hangover (2009) (15) Comedy, starring Bradley Cooper. **12.05** FILM: The Invention of Lying (2009) (12) **2.00** Life's Funniest Moments **2.25** Teleshopping **5.55** ITV2 Nightscreen

ITV3 SKY: 119 FV: 10
6.00 Movies Now **6.10** Judge Judy **6.30** The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes **7.40** FILM: Carry On Loving (1970) (PG) **9.30** Heartbeat **11.35** Sherlock Holmes: The Master Blackmailer **1.50** FILM: The Great St Trinian's Train Robbery (1966) (PG) **3.45** Rosemary & Thyme **4.45** Inspector Morse **7.00** Lewis **9.00** Les Dawson: An Audience With That Never Was **10.00** Northern Lights **11.05** Lewis **1.05** The Casebook of Sherlock Holmes **2.05** Judge Judy **2.45** Countrywise **3.40** Emmerdale

BBC3 SKY: 115 FV: 7
7.00 Pop's Greatest Dance Crazes **7.30** The Voice UK **9.00** Backchat with Jack Whitehall and His Dad **9.30** Russell Howard's Good News **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** Crims **11.15** Family Guy **12.05** Backchat with Jack Whitehall and His Dad **12.35** Russell Howard's Good News **1.05** Bangkok Airport **2.00** Crims **2.30** Sweat the Small Stuff **3.00** Bangkok Airport **3.55** Close

BBC4 SKY: 116 FV: 9
7.00 Shoah: First Era **11.25** Sound of Song **12.25** Elvis: That's All Right 60 Years On **1.25** The Beatles' Please Please Me – Remaking a Classic **2.20** The Heart of Country: How Nashville Became Music City USA **3.50** Close

E4 SKY: 136 FV: 28
6.00 Made in Chelsea **7.00** Bad(ish) Robots **8.00** Rude(ish) Tube **9.00** How I Met Your Mother **10.00** Hollyoaks **12.30** Revenge **1.30** Marvel's Agents of SHIELD **2.30** The 100 **3.30** Melissa & Joey **4.30** The Big Bang Theory **5.30** Brooklyn Nine-Nine **6.00** Marry Me **6.30** The Big Bang Theory **8.00** FILM: A Knight's Tale (2001) (PG) Medieval comedy adventure, starring Heath Ledger. **10.35** The Inbetweeners **11.45** Rude Tube **12.50** The Cleveland Show **1.50** Rules of Engagement **2.40** One Tree Hill **3.20** Hollyoaks

MORE4 SKY: 138 FV: 14
8.55 The Churchills **10.00** Selling Houses with Amanda Lamb **11.00** Grand Designs Australia **12.05** Coach Trip **2.40** Four in a Bed **5.15** Come Dine with Me **8.00** River Cottage Australia **9.00** Obsessive Compulsive Cleaners **10.05** Gogglebox **12.00** Obsessive Compulsive Cleaners **1.00** Gogglebox **2.55** River Cottage Australia **3.55** Close

FILM4 SKY: 315 FV: 15
11.00 Laughter in Paradise (1951) (U) **1.00** Mirror Mirror (2012) (PG) Fantasy, starring Julia Roberts. **3.05** The Golden Child (1986) (PG) **4.55** Holy Man (1998) (PG) Satirical comedy, starring Eddie Murphy. **7.15** The Simpsons Movie (2007) (PG) Animated comedy, with the voice of Dan Castellaneta. **9.00** Safe House (2012) (15) Thriller, with Denzel Washington and Ryan Reynolds. **11.15** Aguirre, the Wrath of God (1972) (PG) Historical drama, starring Klaus Kinski. **1.10** Undefeated (2011) (12) **3.35** Close

DAVE SKY: 111 FV: 12
7.10 Man v Food Presents **7.35** Meat Men **8.00** Top Gear **10.00** Storage Hunters **3.00** Lizard Lick Towing **7.00** Storage Hunters UK **8.00** Gavin & Stacey **10.00** Mock the Week **11.20** Gavin & Stacey **1.15** Storage Hunters **2.10** Lizard Lick Towing **4.00** Close

SKY1 SKY: 106
6.00 Hour of Power **7.00** Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? **8.00** Glee **9.00** Into the Woods: Stage to Screen **9.30** Whiplash Special **9.45** Wild Special **10.00** A League of Their Own **10.30** Futurama **11.00** WWE: Raw **12.00** Modern Family **1.00** Last Man Standing **2.00** Ashley Banjo's Big Town Dance **3.00** Last Man Standing **3.30** The Theory of Everything Special **4.00** Emergency with Angela Griffin **5.00** The Simpsons **6.30** Futurama **7.00** Modern Family **8.00** Fortitude: Behind the Scenes **8.30** Futurama **9.30** Karl Pilkington: The Moaning of Life **10.30** Show Me Your Garden **11.30** NCIS: Los Angeles **12.30** Hawaii Five-0 **1.30** Last Man Standing **2.00** Road Wars **3.00** Brit Cops: Law & Disorder **4.00** Mission Implausible **5.00** UK Border Force

SKY ATLANTIC SKY: 108
6.00 Star Trek: Enterprise **8.00** Without a Trace **1.00** Seinfeld **5.00** Blue Bloods **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.30** Silicon Valley **12.40** Mad Men **1.40** The Sopranos **2.55** Six Feet Under **3.55** The Devil's Dinner Party **4.55** Blue Bloods: Meet the Characters **5.05** Friday Night Lights

Make way for Mark Watson

STILL suffering from the January blues? Well this should cheer you up.

Comedian, novelist, radio presenter and all round nice guy Mark Watson is bringing his brand new tour 'Flaws' to The Haymarket tonight, January 21.

The 34-year-old is known for appearing on panel shows such as 'Mock the Week' and 'Have I Got News for You?' - as well as counting as a regular act at annual arts bonanza, the Edinburgh Fringe Festival.

Despite being born in Bristol, he is often known to take on a common Welsh accent for his shows; a trick that gave him confidence when he started his stand-up career.

But Mark told the Observer he has moved on from the alter-ego.

"I don't really use the Welsh accent anymore," he said.

"But when I started out it was a good way of hiding behind a persona and discovering a comic voice that was a bit different from my own.

"So it gave me courage to get up on stage without feeling too much like myself.

"Also, some words sound funnier like 'monkey' for example."

He comes to the Wote Street theatre off the back of a very eventful 2014, which saw the comedian write a new radio show, novel and become a father for a second time.

By **James Richings**
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The show will dissect into some of the demons of Mark's life, which includes an early midlife crisis.

"As the title suggests, it's about the ways we fail and the shortcomings of my personality specifically. I talk about self-esteem issues, drinking, poor relationships with other humans... all sorts of relatively dark subjects, while still trying to keep it entertaining."

He added: "This show has been polished over quite a long period, starting with a full run at the Edinburgh Festival and then doing 40-odd tour shows last year.

"So it's at quite an advanced stage, which means there's room for me to improvise and vary the show from night to night. So the audience should expect a show packed with jokes but also has an element of the unpredictable."

The show is suitable for over 14s.

Tickets for the show cost £17 from anvilarts.org.uk.

• *Mark Watson (image by Neil Bennett)*

Dara O'Briain

IRISH comedian and television presenter Dara O'Briain is at The Anvil on January 28 and January 29 as part of his tour, 'Crowd Tickler'.

The 42-year old is known for presenting the celebrity topic panel show 'Mock the Week'.

In 2010 he was voted 16th in Channel 4's '100 Greatest Stand-ups'.

Tickets for the show in Churchill Way - which cost £24 - have sold out, but The Anvil does have a waiting list if tickets become available.

Crazy balloons

THE Bonkers Balloon Science Show will be at Basingstoke's Central Studio this Saturday, January 24.

It teaches families interesting facts about everyday objects, and what fun things you can do with them.

Tickets for the production in Cliddesden Road cost up to £7.

Brobed Stils

REGGAE rock and soul group Brobed Stils will be at The Queens Arms Pub in Bunnian Place, next Saturday, January 31.

Founded back in 1993, the group have gigged all over the UK, performing at various pubs, carnivals, festivals, weddings and parties.

This is a free event which starts at 9pm.

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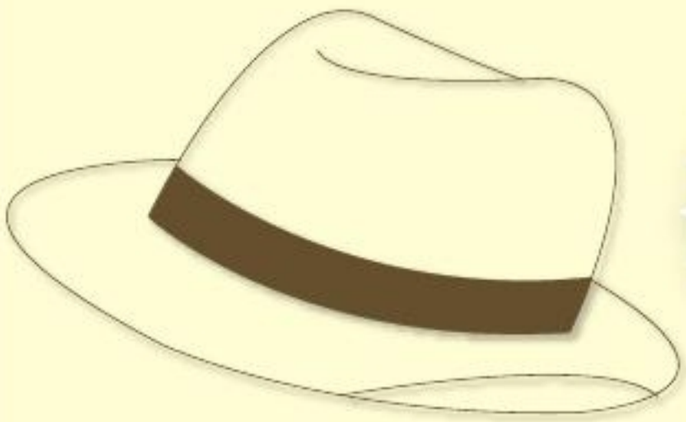

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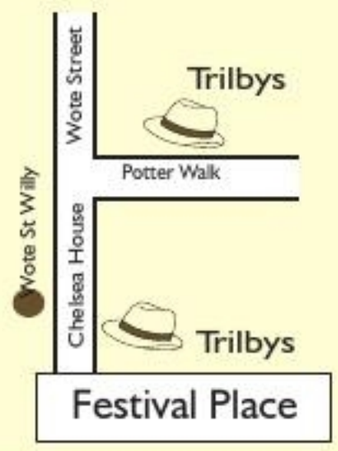

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Folk star to hit 'Stoke

NORTHERN Irish folk musician Cara Dillon will be bringing her soft and blissful tones to The Haymarket on Saturday, January 24.

By **James Richings**
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The 39-year-old from County Londonderry comes to the Wote Street venue as part of a series of concerts throughout 2015, which will see the musician go from Basingstoke all the way to the Far East.

"I'll be singing songs from my latest album 'A Thousand Hearts' alongside some of my favourites like, 'Black Is The Colour', 'There Were Roses', 'Garden Valley' and 'The Parting Glass'," Cara told the Observer.

"I'll also have my amazing band with me which consists of my super talented husband Sam Lakeman, all Ireland Fiddle champion Niall Murphy, Button Accordion virtuoso Luke Daniels and the incredible Ed Boyd on guitar.

"We always hope to take the audience on a bit of a journey through highs and lows including very emotional traditional folk ballads to foot stomping tune sets."

Since releasing her debut self-titled album back in 2001, the musician has achieved nothing but success.

Her first album was nominated for four awards at the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards in 2002, with her following four albums also receiving critical acclaim.

"I'm not entirely sure if there was a single moment that was a springboard for my success," Cara said.

"However, I suppose when I sang the title track on the Disney movie 'Tinkerbell and the Great Fairy Rescue' in 2010, I managed to reach a far wider audience throughout the world and that is something I'm very grateful for."

The musician also revealed that she was planning to go to Manchester University to study Speech Therapy before becoming a full time musician.

Tickets cost from £19 to £21. Call the box office on 01256 844244 for further information on the show.

Cupcake Day

KATE Aherne from Sugartown Cupcakes shop can teach you how to create the perfect cupcake for Valentine's Day, on January 31 at the Basingstoke Discovery Centre.

All participants must bring in four undecorated cupcakes.

The workshop at the Festival Place Shopping Centre starts at 1.30pm and lasts for two hours, costing £12.

Booking in advance is recommended. Call 01256 478670.

Live & Unsigned

CENTRAL Studio will be hosting a live and unsigned night on Friday, January 31, which will begin at 7.30pm.

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Brendan Cole

STRICTLY Come Dancing's very own Brendan Cole will be at The Anvil on February 22, as part of his UK tour, 'A Night to Remember'.

The ballroom dancer comes to the Churchill Way venue off the back of last year's 'License to Thrill' tour.

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The show starts at £7.30pm.

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What's on in HAMPSHIRE | LISTINGS

21 January 2015, 7:30 pm
The Haymarket
MARK WATSON
Winner of five major comedy awards. 24-hour-show luminary. Novelist. Watson (host of BBC's We Need Answers, Never Mind The Buzzcocks, Mock The Week regular and star of cult Radio 4 series Mark Watson Makes The World Substantially Better) returns to the road.
http://www.anvilarts.org.uk/whats-on/mark-watson

22 January 2015, 1:00 pm
Basingstoke Discovery Centre
SECOND CHANCE CINEMA CLUB
"Inspired by the Chippendales, 6 unemployed steel workers from Sheffield form a male striptease act, except they re prepared to go the full monty and leave nothing to the imagination! Heart-warming 90s comedy starring Robert Carlyle.
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23 January 2015, 7:30 pm
The Haymarket
LE VENT DU NORD
"Combining a great stage presence with an energetic, dynamic flair, Le Vent du Nord are one of the leading names in Québecois folk music performing original songs inspired from their tradition- a truly fabulous sound.
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24 January 2015, 7:30 pm
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CARA DILLON
"If you don't know the voice of Cara Dillon, you're in for a treat. If you are already amongst her legions of admirers around the world, you know you have something special in store.
A Thousand Hearts, Cara Dillon's fifth solo album, is another small masterpiece of song and emotion, ethereal and radiant, beautifully honed and perfectly true."
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24 January 2015, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm
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25 January 2015, 2:00 pm 11:00 pm
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28 January 2015 -31 January 2015
The Haymarket
THE GHOST TRAIN
"starring
Jeffrey Holland (Hi-de-Hi!, You Rang M'Lord?)
Corrine Wicks (Emmerdale, Doctors)
Tom Butcher (The Bill, Doctors)
Sophie Powles (Emmerdale)
David Janson ('Allo 'Allo!, Keeping Up Appearances)
and
Judy Buxton (By the Sword Divided, On the Up)
Arnold Ridley's classic comedy thriller is about a group of travellers (including a newlywed couple, an estranged couple, a self-indulgent young dandy and an elderly spinster with a parrot) stranded in the waiting room of an isolated railway station on a dark and stormy night.
They react with various degrees of credulity to the station master's warning of death to anyone who sets eyes on the ghostly train that haunts the line. After the huge success of this play in the 1920s, author Arnold Ridley found fame all over again playing Private Godfrey in Dad's Army."
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30 January 2015, 7:45 pm
The Anvil
THE COMMODORES
"Grammy-nominated guitarist and songwriter Thomas McClary is a founding member of The Commodores, which signed with Motown Records in 1972. Together with band member Lionel Richie, McClary wrote several songs, including Flying High, High on Sunshine, Got To Be Together, Hold On and many others.
The Commodores motown sound will delight new and old fans alike.
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30 January 2015, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Phoenix Theatre & Arts Centre
STARDUST
"The magical story of Stardust, written by Neil Gaiman (winner of book of the year prize in 2013) was famously made into a film starring Michelle Pfeiffer, Claire Danes, and Robert De Niro in 2007. Based on the novel, the show will be created by the same team behind the sell out success Anne of Green Gables."
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31 January 2015, 8:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Phoenix Theatre & Arts Centre
CHRISTIAN O'CONNELL: BREAKING DAD
"10-times Sony Award winning Christian O'Connell (Absolute Radio) takes to the road in his highly anticipated debut stand-up tour, following sell out runs at the 2013 and 2014 Edinburgh Fringe.
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31 January 2015, 7:45 pm
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Heads-up for fourth generation

REVIEW: Mazda2

By **James Richings**

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The MX-5, Mazda6 and Verisa have gained positive reviews in the past, while the Japanese manufacturer is the 15th biggest car producer in the world.

Hoping to join that list of popular cars is the latest version of the Madza2, which became available to purchase in the United Kingdom this month.

This edition of the Mazda2 is the fourth generation of its kind, bringing new levels of technological sophistication and driving pleasure to the consumer.

Compared to its predecessor, the fourth generation sets new standards of infotainment, in-car connectivity and equipment levels.

With a seven-inch colour touch screen device, combined with a rotary multimedia commander, the driver will be in the company of the 'Heads-Up Cockpit'; one of the unprecedented features in the latest Mazda2.

It has been created to assist the driver to deal with large amounts of information while keeping their eyes firmly on the road ahead.

Another new gadget is a DAB radio. This is the first time that a radio of this kind has ever featured in any generation of the Mazda2.

The car also features an SE-L (Standard Edition Luxury) navigation system and Sport Navigation grades.

This new system offers greater accuracy, improved search features and three years of free map updates.

Finally, the Mazda2 has been celebrated by the availability of a special Sports Launch Edition, which costumers can purchase for £14,995.

The Sports Launch Edition includes an integrated navigation system, 16-inch alloy wheels, privacy glass, and dusk-sensing lights.

It also includes rain-sensing front wipers, rear parking sensors and free-of-charge Metallic, Mica and Pearlescent paint.

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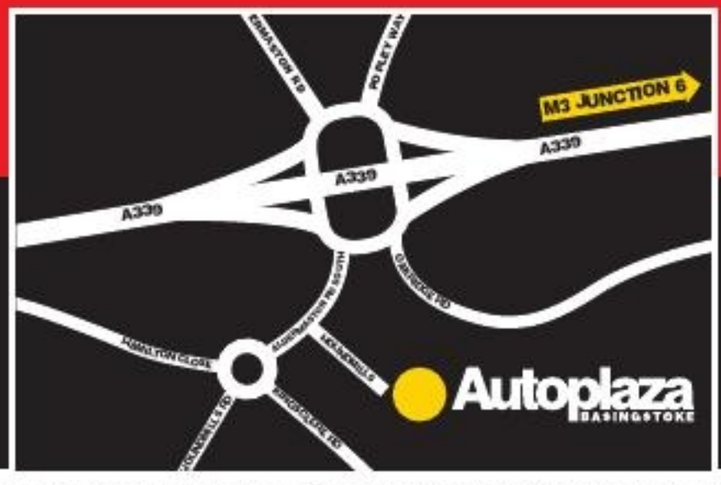

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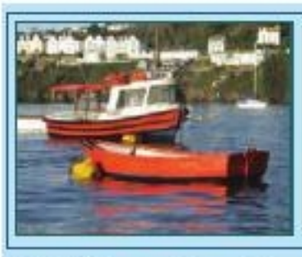

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Bison rise above Phoenix but terrorised by Tigers

BASINGSTOKE Bison completed a home sweep over Manchester Phoenix on Saturday, but just missed out on beating English Ice Hockey Premier League leaders Telford Tigers on Sunday.

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The weekend began strongly for Bison as they beat reigning champions Phoenix 3-2 on Saturday evening.

Player/coach Doug Sheppard got Bison off to a perfect start as he found the back of the net with less than 90 seconds on the clock.

Frantisek Bakrlik grabbed an equaliser for Phoenix soon after, but the home side scored twice more before the end of the first period through Ciaran Long and Joe Greener to give them a two-goal advantage.

Only one more goal would be scored in the remainder of the match, with Bakrilk firing in his and Phoenix's second halfway through the final period.

However Bison netminder Dean Skinns managed to hold firm and turn away every other opportunity from the visitors to ensure his side picked up the two points.

But despite a valiant attempt away to the league leaders on Sunday which saw the Herd go 5-3 up, they were undone in the final period and eventually succumbed to a 6-5 defeat.

Bison had found themselves a goal behind less than a minute into the match as Martin Ondrej struck the back of the net for the Tigers.

Long responded on the powerplay soon after, and three minutes later the visitors were in the lead courtesy of Tomas Karpov.

Nathan Salem levelled the scores before the end of the first period, with the sides going in at 2-2.

Again Long scored on the powerplay and although Ricky Plant would equalise, shots from Aaron Connolly and Michael Wales gave Bison a two-goal lead going into the final 20 minutes.

But the Herd could not hold on, as strikes from Joe Miller, Jonathan Weaver and Peter Szabo – all on the powerplay – allowed Telford to sneak the win.

Bison are now fourth in the league standings with 36 points from 32 games, level with third-placed Swindon Wildcats but 17 points behind the Tigers.

They will hope to close the gap when they host Milton Keynes Lightning on Saturday before making the long journey north to face Sheffield Steeldogs on Sunday night.

· Player/coach Doug Sheppard scored first against Manchester Phoenix (picture courtesy of Grant King (5holephotography.co.uk))

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Easy victory for Town Ladies

FOOTBALL: Basingstoke Town Ladies enjoyed another dominant win on Sunday as they beat Bracknell Town Ladies 5-0.

Lindsey Beverley, Justine Mosley, Samantha Mosley, Katie Randell and Lianne Hill were all on the scoresheet for Basingstoke.

It means that Basingstoke are now up to sixth in the Southern Region Women's Premier Division with 13 points from eight games so far this season.

They will hope for another strong performance when they take on Banbury United Ladies in the Chairman's Cup this Sunday.

Draw for Bison against Stars

ICE HOCKEY: Basingstoke Bison Ladies could only manage a 1-1 draw with Oxford City Midnight Stars on Sunday evening.

It was Bison's first draw of the season, coming on top of two wins and three losses so far this season in the Women's National South Division 1.

They currently sit sixth in the standings with five points.

Bison now have to wait until February 1 for their next fixture, coming against Swindon Topcats.

Hockey defeat to Winchester

HOCKEY: It was a difficult return to competitive action for Basingstoke Hockey Club, who lost 2-1 at home to Winchester on Saturday.

Basingstoke had taken the lead through Ben Jubin early on, but Winchester retaliated to snatch the win with just minutes remaining.

They now sit fourth in the Hampshire/Surrey 1 standings with 20 points from 12 games.

And Basingstoke will be hoping for better luck when they take on Wanderers on Saturday afternoon.

'Stoke beaten but pick up two bonus points

BASINGSTOKE RFC picked up two bonus points in their match away to Gosport and Fareham on Saturday, although they ultimately lost the game 32-26.

The hosts got off to a fast start as Wes Dugan opened the scoring with an unconverted try five minutes into the match.

They extended their lead soon afterwards as Ed Pascoe went over after a line-out, which Alex Duncombe converted.

And their lead was soon 20-0 as Duncombe kicked a penalty before Chris Thompson added Gosport's third try of the match.

With four minutes remaining, 'Stoke came alive as they closed the gap with two tries, one of which was converted, to end the first half at 20-12.

But they were unable to keep the momentum going into the start of the second half, as Ben Madigan and Alex Heron both went over for tries.

With 10 minutes to go the score was 32-12, and again Basingstoke woke up in the closing stages to score another two tries.

The match eventually ended 32-26, but 'Stoke picked up points for scoring four tries and for the narrow losing margin.

They still remain second bottom of the London 1 South standings with 22 points, three behind next-placed Dover.

'Stoke take a break from the league this Saturday, as they travel to face Havant in the Hampshire Senior Cup.

Wintney remain unbeaten in 2015 after draw

HARTLEY Wintney extended their unbeaten run in the Combined Counties Premier League to three matches on Saturday after a 1-1 draw away to Raynes Park Vale.

It comes after Wintney won their previous two matches against Colliers Wood United and Horley Town, and leaves them seventh in the table with a total of 40 points.

Elsewhere, Whitchurch United picked up their first point of 2015 as they drew 2-2 at home to Fareham Town.

The Jam Boys saw a number of their fixtures fall foul of the weather over Christmas, with Saturday's match only the second time they had played this calendar year.

They currently sit fifth in the Wessex Premier Division, having scored 48 points from their 25 games so far.

In the Wessex First Division, Tadley Calleva didn't have a match this weekend, but remain top of the standings with 34 points from 14 games.

And all three sides were in cup action last night as the Observer went to press with Wintney playing at Camberley Town, Whitchurch travelling to Farnborough, and Calleva hosting Hungerford Town.

Their attention returns to their leagues on Saturday as Wintney host Frimley Green, Whitchurch make the trip to Christchurch, while Calleva are at home to Laverstock & Ford.

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LAST-GASP 'STOKE GRAB LATE DRAW

Bird's leveller steals Town a point in the dying moments

TOM Bird scored a dramatic 94th minute equaliser to earn Basingstoke a point at home to fellow play-off hopefuls Gosport Borough.

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Justin Bennett gave Gosport the lead on 49 minutes before Bird fired Town level deep into injury time to share the spoils.

The Dragons maintained a play-off spot but slipped to fourth in the Vanarama Conference South as a result.

On Tuesday night, Town's match at home to 18th-placed Weston-super-Mare was called off due to a frozen pitch.

Last Saturday Gosport started the brighter with Bennett twice testing Stuart Moore inside the opening five minutes.

Basingstoke then created the first opening of the match but Manny Williams' effort was comfortable for Nathan Ashmore after Chris Flood's clever flick-on saw the forward break the Gosport defence.

On 24 minutes Williams and Bird combined from a corner, with the latter forcing Ashmore to push the ball round the post.

And just moments later Bird tested Ashmore once again but this time his right-footed effort proved to be no trouble for the Gosport keeper.

After weathering Basingstoke's pressure, Gosport began to create chances of their own.

On 31 minutes, Dan Wooden curled in a dangerous free-kick which just evaded the on-rushing Bennett and Matt Paterson.

However, almost instantly after the restart, Gosport opened the scoring on the counter-attack.

Thomas Dunford broke clear and played the ball through to Bennett who calmly slotted the ball past Moore to make it 1-0.

Despite going a goal down, Basingstoke continued to create chances and Paco Saez-Ferre did well to prevent Flood from tapping home Bird's cross.

The visitors looked to slow the game down as the match reached its climax but Town had the final say with the last kick of the game.

Nathan Smart got in behind the Gosport defence and his low ball flashed across the face of goal where Bird was waiting at the back post to rifle home.

Town are next in action on Saturday when they host second-placed Bromley.

· Tom Bird wheels away in celebration after equalising for Basingstoke Town (picture by Les Chase)

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